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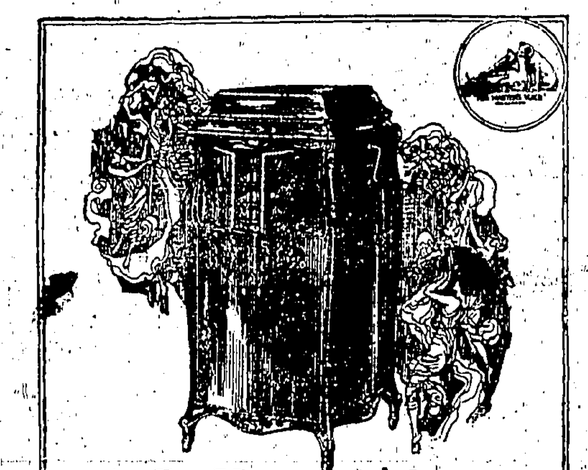

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MR. THOMAS ELOQUENT.

PRESERVING THE CONSTITUTION.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, January 28.

An Anzac luncheon was given on Australia Day in the Hotel Cecil. The Prince of Wales was among the guests. Sir Joseph Cook, the High Commissioner presided. Mr. Thomas, present Secretary of Colonies and the Duke of Devonshire, former Secretary of Colonies, were also present.

A cablegram was read from Mr. Page, acting Prime Minister of Australia, saying that Australia desired to continue to stand shoulder to shoulder with the sister Dominions and the Motherland to preserve intact the Empire whose existence offered the best hope for the future of the world.

Sir Joseph Cook declared that Australia reaffirmed her loyalty to the Crown and was determined to continue to be a buttress of the Empire, never a burden thereon.

The Prince of Wales paid a tribute to the services rendered to the Empire by Mr. Massey, Prime Minister of New Zealand and the straight statesmanship of Mr. Bruce.

The Prince said he could not see too much of the Empire and he hoped this year to see the fulfilment of his task of seeing all the Dominions when he sailed to South Africa on May 1. He was looking forward to his visit to South Africa as much as to any he had made.

"ANOTHER SHELL-SHOCK PATIENT."

Mr. Thomas related that when he first visited the Colonial Office on Tuesday with all the humility and modesty characterising his Party, the porter asked whom he wanted to see. Mr. Thomas said he was the Colonial Secretary. The porter turned to another porter and said: "Another shell-shock patient!" (Loud laughter.)

Mr. Thomas said he was prouder of the Empire than ever. A sort of bloodless revolution had occurred without any disturbance. Many people were apprehensive about the Labour Government, but the Prince of Wales and the King were least apprehensive because they knew that patriotism, love of Empire and service to duty were not a monopoly of class or creed; because they recognised that there were men of humble birth denied Varsity education whose sense of duty and patriotism was equal to that of any other type of man; and because they were not unmindful that during the war the Empire was preserved by the man from the slum as well as the man from the palace recognising a common duty.

SPIRIT OF LOYALTY.

If in the hour of trial all sections could unite to defend the right all sections could be trusted to do the right thing at any given moment. Therefore the great change in the Government merely meant that the old country and the old Empire would continue.

When he succeeded to office, said Mr. Thomas, the Duke of Devonshire unhesitatingly placed all his experience at his disposal. That was characteristic of the spirit which made them proud of their country and feel that it would survive all changes and difficulties. He hoped his successors would be able to say that they, the pioneers, did nothing to weaken the great Empire of which all were proud. British constitution, so broad and democratic that it enabled an engine cleaner yesterday to be a Minister to-day, must be preserved and Empire maintained. (Loud cheers.)

The Duke of Devonshire said that if he and his colleagues criticised it would only be because all were anxious to arrive at the best possible solution. They were prepared to use every possible effort for the further development and prosperity of the Empire.

RUSSIAN ARMY UNREST.

LENIN'S DEATH SEQUEL.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

WARSAW, January 28.

It is reported from Moscow that there is great unrest in the army, partly in consequence of the death of Lenin.

The barracks have become the scene of political disputation. Lack of discipline is manifest.

It is added that the central authorities are alarmed and are sending suspected battalions to the furthermost provinces of Siberia. The garrison at Moscow has been reinforced by troops from the western frontiers.

BRITAIN'S MIGHT.

TRINCOMALEE, January 28.

A feature of the visit of the British cruiser squadron which arrived during the week-end has been the daily crowds of all races. Hundreds have been flocking in from districts over a hundred miles distant.

[This refers to the British cruiser squadron now touring the world. Trincomalee is a naval station on the North-East coast of Ceylon. The population of the district is over 29,000.]

HARDER FIGHT.

RAILWAYMEN STILL DETERMINED.

SECRETARY'S STATEMENT.

LONDON, January 28.

Negotiations not having hitherto produced any tangible results, the Secretary of the Locomotive Men's Union has declared that his executive are considering intensifying the fight.

ICE HOCKEY WINS.

CHAMONIX, January 28.

In the Olympic ice hockey contest the United States beat Belgium 10-0, and Sweden beat Switzerland 9-0.

LATER.

Canada defeated Czecho-Slovakia 30-0.

GETTING TOGETHER.

ITALY AND JUGO-SLAVIA.

ROME, January 28.

According to the newspapers, the Italo-Jugo-Slavian treaty of friendship stipulates reciprocal neutrality in case of war. Also at Jugo-Slavia's request it provides for co-operation in economic and military defence, thereby giving a special character to Italo-Jugo-Slav relations in all the political problems of Central Europe and the Balkans.

BOMBAY MILL STRIKE.

BOMBAY, January 28.

The strike in the Standard mills, due to not paying the workers a bonus, has extended to 32 of the 85 mills in Bombay which have closed down, making idle 60,000 operatives. It is expected that all the mills will cease work to-morrow.

OUR FOREIGN POLICY.

AWKWARD PROBLEMS AHEAD.

THE NEED FOR TACT.

LONDON, January 28.

Reuter learns that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald was interviewed by the *Quotidien* prior to assuming office as Premier. He has given no interviews to the press since he assumed office. This does not imply that the general lines of his policy differ from those foreshadowed in the interview, but obviously their development must be a question of time.

The questions of Russia, Anglo-French relations, reparations, etc., must be developed very carefully and in the most liberal spirit, always with view to the Government's policy of restoring Europe and establishing once more universal co-operation.

SEPARATIST MOVEMENT.

PARIS, January, 28.

It is understood that the Government has proposed to Britain that the question of the maintenance of order in the Palatinate and the security of the French troops there be submitted to the Conference of Ambassadors.

The *Temps* admits that the Separatist movements have all been a fiasco and adds that the movement in the Palatinate has apparently had to be abandoned.

NAVAL OIL LEASES.

PROBING ALLEGED SCANDAL.

DENBY ASKED TO RESIGN.

(Reuter's American Service.)

WASHINGTON, January 28.

In the House of Representatives the appropriations committee reported on a bill providing President Coolidge with a fund of $100,000 to cover the legal costs of any prosecutions necessary in the Teapot Dome case.

The Senate discussed a resolution presented by the Democrat Senator Walsh favouring annulment of the leases.

LATER.

Senator Walsh declared that unless the resignation of Mr. Denby were in the hands of the President by sundown he would seek the Senate's action to remove the present head of the Navy Department.

RESIGN!

WASHINGTON, January 29.

The Democratic leader Senator Robinson moved a resolution expressing the Senate's view that President Coolidge should request the resignation of Mr. Denby. He also proposed that the President demand the resignations of "other Navy Department officials and officers whose relations with the oil reserve leases indicate malfeasance of office." The motion went over under the rules of the house.

DOUBLE EXPLOSION.

PAWTUCKET, RHODE IS., Jan. 28.

Fifteen deaths resulted from a double explosion in a lodging house believed to have been due to the ignition of dynamite stored in a cellar by a woodcutter.

INCOME TAX DOWN

WASHINGTON, January 28.

The Committee of the House of Representatives has voted a 25 per cent. reduction in the tax on unearned income to $20,000.

Incomes under $5,000 will be classified for purposes of reduction as with earned incomes.

COLLIERY DISASTER.

SHANKTOWN, January 28.

Thirty-one bodies have been recovered from the Lancashire mine. Four miners, including the foreman, are missing. They are believed to have been drowned. Further search has been abandoned owing to the rapid rise of water. The majority of the victims were married.

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One hour	35 ,,	60 ,,
Every subsequent hour	25 ,,	40 ,,

II.—Hill District.

	With 2 Bearers	With 4 Bearers.
Ten minutes	15 cents	30 cents
Quarter hour	20 ,,	40 ,,
Half hour	30 ,,	60 ,,
One hour	40 ,,	60 ,,
Every subsequent hour	25	,,

THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in reservoirs on the 1st January 1924:—

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1923.	1924.
Tytam 5ft. 11in. Below overflow	5ft. 11in. Below overflow	
Tytam Byewash 95ft. 7in. Below overflow	23ft. 2in. Below overflow	
Tytam Intermediate 14ft. 11in. Below overflow	2ft. 4in. Above overflow	
Tytam Tak 43ft. 9in. Below overflow	9ft. 10in. Below overflow	
Wong Nai Chung 24ft. 9in. Below overflow	16ft. 3in. Below overflow	
Pokfulam 9ft. 9in. Below overflow	6ft. 4in. Above overflow	
STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.		
	1923.	1924.
Tytam	349.62	335.73
Tytam Byewash	733	Nil
Tytam Intermediate	126.34	109.42
Tytam Tak	548.76	1,187.05
Wong Nai Chung	7.22	12.75
Pokfulam	44.34	66.72
Total	1,050.29	1,512.33

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of December

	1923.	1924.	
Consumption	182.06	201.51	m. g.
Estimated population	366 310	376,600	
Consumption per head	15.6	22 4	gallons
or £s			

Intermittent Supply in all Rider Main Districts during December 1923.

Constant Supply in all districts during December 1923.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1923.	1924
Kowloon Gravity Service Reservoir	6ft. 8in. below overflow	21.3 in. Above overflow
STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS		
	1923.	1924
Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir	230·75	230·24

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of December.

	1922.	1923.	
Consumption	53.02	60·49	m. g.
Estimated population	137,893	143,120	
Consumption per head	12.6	13·9	gallons
per day			

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	1923	1923
Total Rainfall to 31st December	87·41 in.	106·74 in.

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The Pill-boxes.

When the Germans retreated from France they left behind 6,000 of the little concrete forts which used to be called pill-boxes designed for a few men and a machine gun (reports the *Children's Newspaper.*) After destroying about 4,000 of these, with much difficulty and at great cost, the French are now leaving the rest undisturbed, and are paying the farmers for the land on which they stand so stubbornly.

Shakespeare's Income.

One of the lecturers at the National Portrait Gallery, Mr. Bertram, has been talking about the first printing of Shakespeare, reports the *Children's Newspaper.* It is believed that there are now about 140 copies to the First Folio in existence, but only about 20 are in perfect condition. The original edition was supposed to consist of 250 copies, sold at £1 apiece—equal to £8 now. Shakespeare became a comparatively rich man in his later years, as his income was equal to quite £5,000 a year to-day.

Photographing Sounds.

A British inventor asserts that sounds make actual rings in the air when they occur, and that these atmospheric disturbances affect light coming through the air in such a way as to make them visible—at least to a supersensitive lens. According to *Popular Science*, this engineer has constructed a camera which actually records the waves of sound on its plate, and is using it in the study of the exhaust of gasoline engines, acting on the theory that the quality of the sound will tell exactly what, if anything, is wrong with the motor. The camera, while apparently successful in photographing simple sounds, does not operate successfully when the sounds are of a complex nature, as, for instance, the notes of an orchestra.

"Thrums."

The happiest of notes is struck in the opening chapter of the magnificent *Life of Alexander Whyte*, by the Kirriemuir link with Sir James Barrie, points out the *Daily Chronicle*. That vivid little history of Thrums, in which the eminent divine and the eminent story-teller were born, puts the reader right with the biographer at the very beginning. We see at once how the novelist and the preacher grew to be powers in the land. Their local habitation transformed them, and has become transformed for us. Violet Jacob caught the spirit of both Whyte and Barrie in the lines:—

O the braw, braw toon o' Kirrie.
What a years that I ha'e lo'd it;
And I winna seek to leave it tho'
I'm spared anither score.
I'd be greetin' like a laddie for the auld reid hooses croodit
Lookin' down upon the steadin's and the fields o' Strathmore.

Frost Flowers.

In the white wilderness of the wood to-day the light is so dim that one can scarce make out the path a dozen yards ahead (writes Tickner Edwards in the *Daily Chronicle.*) A single night of frost and fog, and all the new-found light-riddled bareness of the winter-wood is gone once more. The hoar-frost has gathered incredibly thick upon every twig and branchlet overhead, and upon every bramble and privet-spray and stem of grass beneath. The very leaves of autumn covering the path are changed to discs of pure white velvet. Snow clogs and malforms are imposing a ruthless dead-weight of white upon everything. But the hoar-frost only beautifies whatever it overlays, and its magic touch brings to all alike the illusion of a delicate, lovely inflorescence. They are true flower forms—these spreading stars and Maltese crosses and multiple rosettes, into which the frost has transmuted every twig and leaf and grass-blade and sprig of herbage in the old wood. But the seeming utter whiteness of it all has no existence in truth. It is but the phantasm of an eye universed in the discrimination of minutely associated points of colour. Looking closely, you will soon find out that, in itself, hoar-frost has no whiteness other than the whiteness of scintillating diamond-dust—a myriad infinitesimal sparks of colour, each intensely brilliant atom lost in the glory of its fellows; crimson annihilating emerald, the turquoise obliterating the violet and gold. A still more curious trait in the nature of these hoar-frost effects, is the method by which their bewildering beauty and variformity are brought about. Nothing is merely enlarged by the dense accretion of the frost; all is redreated into something new and strange. There is no simple envelopment. The hoar-frost takes twig or leaf or grass-blade merely as foundation, starting-point, from which is evolved a fairy structure wholly alien, it may be, to the thing that gave it initial being.

The secret of this original creative power of the hoar-frost lies in the fact that it grows by incessantly adding to itself tiny, microcosmic cubes and prisms of ice. The wonderful frost-flowers are built up in this way exactly as a house is built up of brick or stone.

Unfortunate Theatre Incident.

Somebody blundered at a variety artists' benefit performance at the Coliseum.—The King and Queen, Viscount Lascelles, and the Queen of Norway, who occupied the Royal box, rocked with laughter during the opening numbers, but when the fifth turn came on the audience was shocked to see a low-comedy king, with a tilted crown, appear on the stage and clumsily burlesque a scene from Hamlet. There was an uncomfortable silence, and all eyes were turned to the King and Queen, who deliberately refrained from the least gesture of applause.

Lion Taming.

The terrors of lion-taming will be considerably abated by the adoption of a new stunt which, it is said, many trainers are taking up, reports the *World Magazine*. The usual weapon of the trainer is a whip or club; but when he turns his back a lion may jump on him before he can bring these implements into play. In order to forestall any such move on the part of the king of beasts a charged wire is stretched, across the cage and the trainer directs his charges from one side of it. Should any animal spring it will receive such a shock that it will not care to repeat the experiment, and after a few such lessons the wire may be dispensed with and the lions will keep to their own territory no matter what the trainer may be doing.

Popular Fallacies.

Cancer is not hereditary; brimstone and treacle is not good for children in the spring or at any time, and the good old linseed poultice beloved of our grandmothers is no good so far as the linseed is concerned (a sponge would do as well), the only virtue in it being the hot water with which it is mixed, we are told in *Popular Fallacies Explained and Corrected*, by A. S. E. Ackerman. A mild winter is healthier than a cold one, and therefore a green winter does not necessarily fill the churchyard. It is a popular belief that it is bad to bathe in cold water when you are hot, but this it would appear is not so. "On the contrary, it is better to bathe in cold water when the body is warm, provided no time is lost in getting into the water." Rooms warmed by gas-stoves are not unhealthy, neither do they dry the atmosphere unduly, but care should be taken that the stove is not too powerful for the size of the room. Moths do not eat clothes. This is done by the grubs that develop from the eggs the moths have laid. The bagpipe did not originate in Scotland, but can be traced in ancient Persia and by inference in Egypt, Chaldæa, and ancient Greece.

Girls' Names.

There are changes of fashion in names? The eighteenth century produced a crop of Latin. It was not only Sophia, which may be accounted for by the Hanoverian Princess who was George I.'s mother, but Sylvia and Aurelia and Clarissa and Lydia came in then, and even Mary turns into Maria. The romantic revival made an end of this, points out a *Daily Telegraph* writer, and after Scott you find for the first time in many centuries Saxon names coming into fashion, Hildas and Berthas and Ethels, and even Rowenas. Later on in the Victorian age they became still more adventurous, they found names in the Arthurian legends—or at any rate in Tennyson—in the sagas and all manner of folk-lore. Imagine Mr. Addison or Dr. Johnston introduced to a girl called Deirdre or Yseult. But that may happen to you any day. I dare say it has happened. The worst of these names is that they are so hard to live up to. This is prejudice, no doubt. There is no more reason for Yseult to look a grand and tragic passion than for every Helen to be a wonder and the world's desire. But don't you feel uncomfortable when Deirdre is a heavy dumpling of a girl and Yseult as hard as nails and much the same shape? The real mystery of fashions in names is far deeper. Anybody can see why at a certain time there were many Victorias or Alexandras. But who will explain to me why at one moment a host of girls are christened Dorothy, and at another Gladys is the name in vogue? No popular heroine exists to account for this. Yet everyone is aware of such sudden spurts of fashion. Rational people, of course, will explain that the name of the moment takes people's fancy as a change. It is talked about, and for a time—until they're tired of it—everybody wants it.

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—HUGO VON HOFMANNSTHAL
in *London Mercury*

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THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Saturday 19th January to Friday 1st February 1924, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
JOHN. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 8th, 1924.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the Company No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central, at 3.00 p.m., SATURDAY February the 2nd 1924, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December. 1923.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from MONDAY, 21st January to SATURDAY, 2nd February 1924, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
KAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 15th January, 1924.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS IN THIS COMPANY will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong on SATURDAY, the 9th February 1924, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1923.

The TRANFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 1st February to the 9th February (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be Registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

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By Order
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Hongkong 23rd January, 1924.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)

MURDER THREAT.

BERLIN, January 27.

A Ludwigshafen telegram to the *Lokal Anzeiger* states that one of the Separatist leaders has threatened that if Mr. Clive returns to Munich he will be murdered because what he has done to the Separatists in the Palatinate cannot be left unrevenged.

[In the House of Commons on January 21 the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs said that Mr. Clive, the British Consul General enquiring in the Palatinate, had telegraphed that after five days of hearing the views of every class he had reached the conclusion that the overwhelming mass of the population opposed the autonomous government, which could never have come into existence without French support. Seventy-five per cent. of the Separatists came from outside, and included a large criminal element.

Earlier cables report that the Separatist leader, Schlich, was shot dead while returning from a propagandist meeting at Adenau. He was hit by eight bullets. Schlich constituted himself Governor of Eifel during the recent Separatist regime and issued seven trillion marks of worthless currency, called Schlichgeld, which he forced the peasants to accept.]

MINERS DOOMED.

AMERICAN COLLIERY EXPLOSIONS.

SHANKTOWN, PENN., Jan. 27.

Three bodies have been recovered from the Lancashire coal mine.

There is little hope of saving the men entombed alive as water is rising rapidly underground.

[An earlier cable stated that a terrific explosion wrecked both entrances to the Lancashire coal mine. It was estimated that forty men are entombed. Another disaster took place the same day at West Frankfort in Illinois, where thirty-seven people were killed in a coal mine explosion and thirty others are entrapped in the burning mine.]

MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

It was stated at Kingston-on-Thames Police Court that there had been nearly 300 cases against motorists for driving without licences in Surrey.

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Alderman Sir David Burnett, at the Mansion House Court, decided that free samples of patent medicines were not liable to duty under the Medicines Stamp Act.

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The Government of Ontario has been invited to send a representative to a conference of all the provinces with the Federal Government, for the formation of a united immigration policy.

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As part of the Austrian Post Office workers' strike settlement, the Government had consented to grant awards for thrift and to make a Christmas present to each employee of 75,000 crowns (about 5s).

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William Griffiths, master of a coasting steamer, was fined £30 and £5 5s. costs at Liverpool for failing during a voyage to supply 397 geese with enough water and food. He said he had water poured over them and understood they drank from one another's backs.

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The tail of an aeroplane found floating in the sea at Seabrook, near Hythe, is believed to be part of the Dutch monoplane wrecked on the Goodwins on October 19, the Russian pilot and three German passengers being picked up by a British coasting vessel.

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After a publican had been fined at Stratford Police Court for using an unjust half-pint measure, one of the magistrates, Mr. R. Collyer, said the tankard was valuable as an antique and offered to buy it. A police inspector said it would be sent to his office.

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Durham County Education Committee decided to oppose the recommendation of a Government departmental committee that local authorities, should contribute 2½ per cent., on teachers' salaries to a teachers' superannuation fund on the ground that it would cost Durham ratepayers £25,000 annually.

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Formal application to the tariff commission for an investigation looking to an increase in the tariff duty on wheat as a means of aiding producers of the northwest, has been made by Sydney Anderson (R.), representative from Minnesota, president of the Wheat Council of the United States.

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When Mrs. Cosgrave, wife of the President of the Irish Free State, claimed £6,000 at Dublin for the destruction of their residence by incendiaries, she said that no claim was made in respect of her husband's property, and the Recorder intimated that he would report in favour of giving £4,748 for buildings and £2,082 for furniture.

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The Government of Panama at an early date will seek to make a new treaty with the United States, believes Dr. Clarence J. Owens of the Southern Commercial Congress who recently visited Panama. Dr. Owens declined to say what changes in the present Panama-American Treaty would be sought, but declared the proposed treaty would be in the nature of an interpretation of the present one.

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Garrett P. Serviss, astronomer and author, returned from Europe convinced that the United States leads the world in the advancement of astronomy. He said that, due to money conditions in Europe the United States probably would continue its leadership. The Yerkes and Harvard observatories he asserted, were supreme in their field.

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For the first time in the history of Canada, a radio section, to work in conjunction with the Canadian militia, has been organized, and recruits will be trained for actual war radio. "In this new unit we intend to teach the men how to make their own parts, so that each may have a thorough knowledge of every part employed in the use of the radio," stated Capt. F. A. Williams, one of the active organizers.

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A new water-power plant is being constructed in the Alps at an altitude of 6233 feet near Martigny, Canton of Valais, for the purpose of supplying electric energy to the Swiss federal railways. A dam is being built across the Barberine cascade, whose waters flow into the River Rhone, to form an artificial lake of 40,000,000 cubic meters. The cost of the dam will be 20,000,000 Swiss francs, but with the electric installation the amount will be run over 60,000,000 francs. A total energy of 60,000 horsepower will be supplied.

GOLF.

WAYFOONG v. TAIKOO.

DETAILED SCORES.

The annual golf match between "Wayfoong" and Taikoo" was played at Fanling on Sunday in cheerless weather, cold and wet, "Wayfoong" winning by the large margin of 11 points.

Details are as follows:—

SINGLES IN THE MORNING.

R. L. Moncrieff	1
E. D. Black	¼
F. G. Walker	1
G. M. Dalgety	0
V. M. Grayburn	0
G. B. Dunnett	0
H. G. Hegarty	1¼
J. C. G. Ferguson	1
A. Sheaver	1
W. J. Clerk	1
J. W. R. McPhail	1
J. Dunn	1
Total "Wayfoong"	8½
H. U. Ireland	0
N. R. Dick	1
A. V. T. Dean	¼
D. Templeton	1
G. M. Young	1
E. C. Hagen	1
F. N. Young	0
H. Spicer	0
F. A. Wells	0
F. A. Dinsdale	0
H. R. Forsyth	¼
H. E. D. Adams	0
Total "Taikoo	4½

FOURBALLS IN THE AFTERNOON.

R. L. Moncrieff and E. D. Black	2½
F. G. Walker and G. M. Dalgety	2
V. M. Grayburn and G. B. Dunnett	2
H. G. Hegarty and J. C. G. Ferguson	2½
A. Sheaver and W. J. Clerk	0
J. W. R. McPhail and J. Dunn	0
Total "Wayfoong"	9
Grand Total "Wayfoong"	17½
H. U. Ireland and N. R. Dick	0
A. V. T. Dean and D. Templeton	0
G. M. Young and H. E. C. Hagen	0
F. N. Young and H. Spicer	0
F. A. Wells and F. N. Dinsdale	2
H. R. Forsyth and H. E. D. Adams	0
"Taikoo"	2
Grand Total "Taikoo"	6½

On Saturday afternoon, January 26, R. L. Moncrieff beat S.S. Church, in the final of the 1923 Captain's Cup, by 6 up and 4 to play.

The handsome cup—the gift of Mr. A. B. Stewart—was presented by Mr. G. M. Young after the "Wayfoong"—"Taikoo" match on Sunday evening. Mr. Young eulogised Mr. Moncrieff's golf in a neat speech and Mr. Moncrieff duly replied, after which the cup was christened in the usual (Pommery and Greno) manner.

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RUGBY FOOTBALL.

NAVY v. CLUB.

This return game took place at the Club ground, Happy Valley, on Saturday and despite the inclemency of the weather, a large crowd witnessed the game from the covered in stand. The kick-off saw the club make ground with good use of their feet and play for the first 10 minutes was confined to midfield. The state of the ground was suited to the forward game and both sides tactics seemed to be to keep the ball tight and use their weight. The navy at this stage were being well served by Montgomery whose passing was a feature and his touch kicking excellent. It was from one of his passes that the Navy got over for their first try but Cleland, the Club's full back, should have stopped them. The Navy failed to bring up full points.

This score made the club play up and the forwards well led by Forsyth were soon in their opponents 25 and during one of the scrums a penalty was given against the Navy and from the kick Bowker made sure and brought the scores level. Shortly afterwards, the whistle went for half time.

From the kick off the Navy straight-way made for the club line and with the ball bumping badly a club player fumbled and allowed the Navy an easy score. Again they failed with their kick. It was a ding doing struggle. After this, and Clerk, the club scrum half who was playing a tip top game, put in a tremendous amount of work, at one time having practically the Navy side on top of him: From this time on until the final whistle it was anybody's game and if only the club forwards had put a little more "ginger" into their game, they would have carried over for a score. It was a hard clean game and a draw would have been a fair reflection on the play. For the Navy Montgomery was outstanding amongst the backs and also Sladen. Forward they had a good leader in McBride but the best of a good eight was Menzies. No further mention need be made about Clerk. His was a fine effort. Morrison also played well especially when tackling. He went for his man good and low. The wings were poor and showed no initiative. Forwards played their usual strong game and Forsyth who plays hard should talk more and stop the grousing which goes on. Jordain played a sound game and was useful in the loose. Day was also a good forward but some of them must be taught to pack. All round it was an excellent game and the replay which takes place to-morrow should be well worth seeing.

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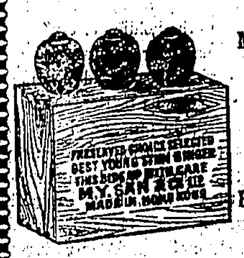

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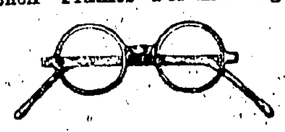

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CONFERENCES.

In reading Mr. Goldsmith's book on Road Construction in the Far East, we did not fail to observe the thought expressed of the need of a Conference, from time to time of Engineers engaged in Public Works in the Far East. Mr. Goldsmith expressed the hope that the formation of such Conferences would not long be delayed, and referred, briefly but with conviction to the absolute need of them and the vast amount of good they were capable of doing.

Thoughts, these last few days, have been centered on the Colony's education system, by the almost unbroken succession of school prize distributions, the last meeting of the Education Board, and the Government's wavering policy regarding education generally, and principally its unknown but imagined position after making an appointment to the Directorship of Education now vacant by Mr. Irving's impending retirement. The generality of these annual reports has been varied, but it has remained for the Heads of two of the schools, free from Government influence, and which are only associated with the Government in that they receive grants-in-aid, publicly, convincingly and sincerely to voice a need with regard to the holding of Conferences of teachers for comparing notes, exchanging ideas, and considering the multifarious matters arising out of the steady prosecution of education—for education, like all progressive matters needs the brains of all those who know something about it, or to add to, their own store of knowledge with a view to making rough edges smooth and to make the machine run more easily. Miss Davies, the headmistress of the Ying Wah School is the second educationist within a few days to say something that calls for emphasis, and for immediate consideration. Miss Davies' name may not be a household word in the Colony, but those who profess to know something of those who for so long have exercised a beneficial influence in the Colony's life and who have spent themselves in quiet, steady and exceedingly useful service, pay just tribute to the few of Miss Davies stamp. We state this fact in order to make Miss Davies words carry the weight that is their due, and no apology is tendered for quoting them. Says Miss Davies:

There is, also, here, no agency of any kind through which valuable teachers may be discovered; and no Conference in Hongkong of heads or staffs of schools, nor any means whereby the knowledge and experience of some may be put at the service of a larger number. 'Each School for itself,' seems to have been the motto hitherto, and alas for those who come last in the race."

There is no ambiguity about these words. They follow hotly upon the words of the Rev. W. T. Featherstone, Head of the Diocesan Boys' School who has already suggested a Conference of teachers, and enlarged upon its usefulness to the cause of education locally, and further afield. Those two quite distinct utterances on an important topic by experienced counsellors, cannot be ignored. We can well believe that they have not escaped the notice of those who are responsible for the Colony's educational policy. Mr. Irving's departure may mean the strangling of his "pet child"—the Education Board. As that Board is at present constituted—or rather the limitations under which it labours, makes it of no account. The Board might very well be reconstituted and have on its roll the names of Heads of Schools—or perhaps what is better, Heads of Schools might be allowed to meet in Conference as suggested. The matter rests purely with the Government, for no Conference would be of any use unless Heads of Government Schools were allowed to attend and partake in its deliberations as if they were ordinary members of the community and in a position to give free and unfettered voice to their own feelings. Raise this ban, give this permission, and set forth the machinery of Conference and much good is likely to result.

Czecho-Slovakia.

The fact that France has signed a treaty with Czecho-Slovakia brings that part of turbulent Europe to the notice of the reading and trading public. Facts demonstrate that this young Republic possesses great vitality, which is clearly demonstrated by an unprecedented progress made in both political and economical respects. The unexpected rise and consequent stabilization of the Czecho-Slovak crown, which is said to have a firm footing in the sound economical conditions of the country show the favourable effects which must necessarily follow as a result of a right financial policy of the Government. Facts in connection with the country are still very little known to the average foreigner to whom Czecho-Slovakia remains more than a name vaguely connected with Central Europe. As regards both natural resources and industrial development Czecho-Slovakia is one of the richest countries in Europe. Its mineral, agricultural and forest wealth is enormous. Remarkable is the progress which has been made since the conclusion of the war by Czecho-Slovak Industry representing 80 per cent. of the turn out of the Austrian Empire. Textile industry which is one of the principal sources of the wealth of the country comprising almost the whole of the textile industry of the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy is represented by 1,630 factories with 5,270,000 spindles and 225,000 looms. Glass Industry, the product of which is renowned throughout the world as Bohemian Glass occupies over 100,000 workers and three-fourths of the output is already exported. The Metallurgy and Metal Industry has experienced a boom surpassing almost that of 1919 and 1920 owing chiefly to the French occupation of the Ruhr district and consequent incapacity of German competition in these lines. Czecho-Slovakia is the only European sugar exporting country and the second largest beet sugar producer in the world. The exports in October last attained record figures amounting to 72,599 tons. Of the Central European countries only Czecho-Slovakia has succeeded in equilibrating her state budget and general attention was drawn to the fact that the Czecho-Slovak foreign trade shows a balance in favour of exports amounting to some milliards. With the progressive stabilization of the economic conditions, Czecho-Slovak's position as a leading factor in the reconstruction problem becomes still more distinct. She has already advanced considerable sums to help Austria in her financial difficulties and a scheme is being planned to give support to Hungaria to help her to tide over the crisis in which she has been plunged. The present moment seems most favourable to establish trade relations with the country and in this respect the eighth International Fair to be held at Prague during the week of March 16-23, 1924, will offer the foreign business men a splendid opportunity for every industry of the Czecho-Slovak Republic and its neighbouring countries will be represented at the Fair.

IDENTIFIED. Stranger (at the door): "I am trying to find a lady whose name I have forgotten, but I know she lives in this neighbourhood. She is a woman easily described, and perhaps you know her—a singularly beautiful creature, with pink and white complexion, lovely eyes, and hair such as a goddess might envy."

Servant: "Really, sir, I don't know——"

Voice (from head of stairs): "Jane, tell the gentleman I'll be down in a minute."—

GLEE. We wrote the other day commending the artistic activities of a Cantonese general who is interested in most of the fine arts and was promoting an exhibition in Canton. Now, thanks to the *Canton Gazette* we learn there is a Canton Glee Club promoted by a Dr. Chiang Ho, and that paper urges the Club in the paths of music and the drama. The Chinese actor is noted for his faithful impersonations. In the art of singing, as we westerners think we know it, the Chinese are generally deficient. But not quite. We have heard Chinese sing part songs in unison and harmony that was delightful and promised greater results if diligently prosecuted. It is good to notice our Canton contemporary urging on this good work and we certainly wish it well. We have no statistics available, but we imagine very few militarists, criminals or even wife-beaters, are musically inclined. If they were it is safe to say they would not be the undesirable things we have mentioned. Some politicians are noted for their musicianly parts—but only the honest ones. When Balfour was plain A J. he always had a piano in his room at his Government office, and when the strains of a Bach prelude or fugue was heard it was a sign that the Minister had not to be disturbed. A lover and player of Bach obviously is not built for stratagems and spoils, and is perfectly to be trusted. We wish the Canton Glee Club all possible success. When it gives its first concert we hope to be there!

INDIAN. Never in this world does hatred cease by hatred:

Hatred ceases by love: this is always its nature.

Liberality, courtesy, kindliness, and unselfishness—these are to the world what the linch-pin is to the rolling chariot.

Even Buddha was once a cart-horse, and carried the loads of others.

Do naught to others which, if done to thee, would cause thee pain; this is the sum of duty.

Speak truth, not untruth; look far, not near; look up towards the Highest, not towards anthing low.

FOOTBALL FACTS. England and Scotland have played 47 International matches proper. Of these Scotland has won 20 times, scoring altogether 95 goals against the Sassenachs' 14 victories and 82 goals. "However," as a prosperous Scot Dr. in London remarked, "it takes a lot to make up for Flodden." In four of these struggles 9 goals were scored: 1878 Scotland won 7-2; 1879 England won 5-4; 1880 Scotland won 5-4; and 1920 England won 5-4. In each of these cases the home team proved successful so that the bulk of the spectators went home satisfied. Of the original entrants for the F. A. Cup (1871-72) only two clubs are now engaged in first-class football. These are Crystal Palace and Queen's Park (Glasgow). Prior to the historic meeting of Bolton Wanderers and West Ham at Wembley last year, the record F. A. Cup attendance was in 1913 when Aston Villa beat Sunderland by one clear goal at the Palace. The highest amount of gate money ever taken was in 1921 when the "Spurs" defeated Wolverhampton at Stamford Bridge. The receipts were £13,414. Aston Villa have won the Cup six times. Next in merit are the Wanderers and Blackburn Rovers with five victories each. Tottenham Hotspur is the only southern professional club that has won the Cup twice (1901 and 1921).

CASH BASIS. The Chinese Y.M.C.A. Debating Club is nothing if not up to date. The latest topic it discussed was: "Resolved: That it would be best to have all business conducted on a cash basis." How the debate went we do not know. It could not, we imagine, have had reference to the business done overseas, and probably confined itself to local business deals. If so it resurrects again the old old question of signing Chits. We think the best plan regarding chits is to make them legal tender. Just as a cheque is. The Government could also add to its revenue by imposing a chit stamp duty of a very nominal value.

APPY AMPSTEAD. In accepting Lord Leverhulme's increased offer to give up certain land to the public in return for the right to enclose a portion of Hampstead Heath, the Hampstead Borough Council showed great wisdom in deciding to require, as a condition of the exchange, a covenant whereby at no time in the future shall a flat or flats be erected on the ground thus turned over to him. So many open spaces have been exploited in the past by the building of ugly apartment houses that any pledge of security in this regard is always reassuring. In this particular locality, however, so well known—in cockney phraseology—as appy 'Ampstead,' it is especially fitting that such a safeguard should have been exacted.

"LORD STUBBS." Congratulations will be showered on H.E. the Governor, if, as a Manila paper describes him, he has reached that stage in his career when he may be described as "Your Lordship." H.E. is apparently to visit Manila in February and this is how a Manila paper refers to the impending visit. The opening words will be noted with interest.

Lord Stubbs, governor general of Hongkong, accompanied by Lady Stubbs and aides will visit Manila on February 3, next, according to cable advices just received from the British colony. It is not stated how long the visitors will stay in the Philippines before returning to the neighbouring colony. But it is said that the visit will be brief. A trip to some of the nearby provinces may be made before leaving the Islands.

The Hongkong governor and Lady Stubbs will be guests at some entertainments which will be held in their honour. They will be entertained by some high government officials and the British consul general in Manila

THINKING. What Prof. Graham Kerr declared in an address before the Philosophical Society in London regarding the present system of school education, namely, that its greatest fault is that it actually discourages thinking, itself provides abundant food for thought. While, however, what he said is undoubtedly true to a certain extent, it is only fair to consider also the fact that the tendency not to think, so noticeable in many individuals, lies entirely apart from any system of education whatever. It is more than a century ago since Jane Taylor wrote:

Though man a thinking being is defined,
Few use the grand prerogative of mind.
How few think justly of the thinking few!
How many never think, who think they do!

To-day's Poem.

(The Fate of Mignon.)

Mignon, Mignon,
Quaint little elf!
Childishly prattling,
Formless the self—
Liquescent as moonshine
Through the dark mountain pine
Tenderly stealing—
Cerulean pelf!

Aping her elders'
Professional loves,
Unwitting, she murmurs
The language of doves—
The drowsy, soft cooing of doves.

Mignon, Mignon,
From heaven now riven,
Passing to earth
Art earthwards still driven?
The child of Night's Heaven-
Remorselessly driven
Through the pitiless night—
Ah, whither?

—A. ALBAN PARKER.

in the N.-C. Daily News.

WEATHER CALENDAR.

JANUARY 29.

1798. A very stormy day. William walked to the top of the hill to see the sea. Nothing distinguishable but a heavy blackness. An immense bough riven from one of the fir-trees. — *Dorothy Wordsworth.*

DISCORDANCE.

We live in an age of the white collar—of over-feeding and under-work. Jazz would be music; rant, poetry; and cubism, art. Purpose has given place to pleasure and life is a discordant note of the senses reeling on to chaos, and so will continue until sanity and industry shall again associate themselves with human endeavour.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

January 29.—Coronet Theatre; "One Exciting Night."
January 29.—Star Theatre; "Don't Get Personal."
January 29.—World Theatre; "Morals."
February 18. — Pianoforte Recital at City Hall, 5.30 p.m.

SOCIAL.

February 4. — Concert in St. Andrew's Hall, Kowloon, 9 p.m.
February 4. — Grand Chinese Carnival in the Hongkong Hotel Grill Rooms, 8-12 p.m.
February 23.—Royal Air Force Re-union Dinner.
March 1.—St. David's Society Dinner.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

January 30.—Lammert Bros., at Sales Rooms, a quantity of sundry goods, 11 a.m.
February 1.—One-hundred and fourth ordinary meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong-Canton and Macao Steamboat Co. Ltd., at the Offices of the Company, Noon.
February 2.—Fifth ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., at the registered office of the Company, No. 10, Des Vœux Road Central, 3 p.m.

OTHER MEETING.

February 4.—General Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club in the Hongkong Club Annex, 5 p.m.

EXHIBITION.

January 29. — Exhibition of paintings at the City Hall.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Lighting up time to-day is at 6.10 p.m.

Communication with America via the Commercial Pacific Cable has been restored.

Falling down the stairs at his home at 20 Upper Albert Street, Wong Yiu, aged 82, sustained fatal injuries.

The tenth annual pianoforte recital of Professor Danenberg's pupils takes place in the City Hall on Monday, February 18.

A young Chinese girl was picked up unconscious on the Praya East yesterday after she had alighted from a moving tram-car. She was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

Very beautiful is the Chinese calendar the Standard Oil Company of New York has issued for this year, copies of which have been courteously sent to the *China Mail*.

A Chinese Syndicate paid $40,000 for the 38,500 square feet of crown land auctioned yesterday by Mr. Parker Rees at Volunteer Headquarters. The upset price was $29,875 and bids came fairly readily.

From Messrs. W. G. Humphreys and Co., the *China Mail* has received charming Chinese calendars issued by Cadbury Bros., Ltd., and G. S. Fry and Sons for whom they are the general agents.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

A *Reuter* cable from London announces the death of Mr. Marcus Hartog, Professor of Natural History, who was formerly Director of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Ceylon.

According to a *Reuter* cable from London, the death is announced of Sir Frank Hollins, J.P., Chairman of Horrockes Crewdson Co., Ltd., Cotton-spinners.

Lieut.-Colonel E. E. Moyague-Bates has been posted for the first East Surreys, Hongkong, cables *Reuter* from London.

Senator Reed has announced, says a *Reuter* cable, that he will stand as a candidate for the Presidency.

A *Reuter* cable from London announces the death of M. Rodzianko, ex-President of the Duma and one of the chief organisers of the Russian revolution.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. John Bartholomew, chartered accountant, of Messrs. Holyoak, Massey & Co., Ltd., residing at No. 192, the Peak, to Miss Dorothy Mary Logan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Logan, No. 250, the Peak.

Reuter cables from London that Mr. W. Kirkpatrick has retired from his partnership of Messrs. Bird & Co., and E. W. Hellgers & Co., Calcutta, and proceeds to Japan in March to take up the managing directorship of M. Samuel & Co., Ltd., in the Far East.

PIRACY EVIL.

LATEST KONGMOON OUTRAGE.

PASSENGERS KIDNAPPED.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

KONGMOON, January 26.

The tow-boat "Hop On," trading between Canton and Kongmoon was pirated at East Ma Ling (not far from where the "Tai Lee" slowed down to allow the pirates to get ashore.) Fifty passengers were taken away for ransom, twenty of whom were ultimately released when their financial condition was investigated. River traffic between Canton and Kongmoon has been suspended. The consequent inconvenience to merchants is critical at this time of the year.

It is rumoured that Admiral Chan Chak will return to Pak-kai at the request of his successor Fung Shin-ming, who is also his friend and former colleague. The report goes that Chan will take command of the land troops whereas Fung will lead the naval forces. Fung is in Canton now and he is expected to return with Chan. All the naval boats at this port now fly a red flag with the character "Fung" instead of "Chan."

The nominee for the Heungshan magistracy is said to be a former secretary to Dr. Sun.

Another campaign is said to be imminent in the southern peninsula. The pro-Sun Wong Ming-tong has been given the command of an "army" and he is to join hands with Leung Hung-kai in a raid, at China New Year, on Lui Tsun-wing, the anti-Sun general who now holds sway.

Many houses and a part of the city walls at Shek-ki near the West Gate are being dismantled to make room for a main road which may be extended to Macao. That part of the town has now a very decrepit appearance but the resulting improvement will make sufficient amends.

BIT NIPPY, EH?

NOTHING ABNORMAL IN THIS COLD WEATHER.

"B-rrrr, Bit nippy this morning, George?"

George shivers and tucks up his collar toward off the cold blasts sweeping down the harbour. George thinks it is about the coldest morning he has had this year and says so in no unmistakable terms.

"Yes, this kind o' weather gets in one's bones."

George may shiver and complain. But it is no colder than usual. If George had been here in January, 1893, when the minimum temperature was 32, George would have stayed at home by the fireside and lost his job.

This last two days has brought out the overcoats from the old camphor-wood box. You can see and smell them on the ferry at all hours. People were becoming a little too optimistic about the winter and thought they were having an abnormal period of warm weather. And when the natural cold comes on they feel it more.

Mr. Claxton, Director of the Observatory, kindly informed the *China Mail* this morning that there was nothing abnormal about this cold spell. The average minimum temperature for January was 56. Yesterday morning between five and six o'clock recorded the lowest point this month. It was 48.4. But George was not up then!

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

An announcement appears in the *Tsun Wan Yat Po* to the effect that the Canton Cement Works have been leased to a syndicate for operation at $15,000 (Canton currency) per month, for ten years from February 1, 1924. The lease includes the stone-quarry at Fay Shu Ngam (Bat Pass) and is published on the instructions of the Yunnanese general, Fan Shek-sang, on the authority of the Generalissimo (Dr. Sun) and the Civil Governor.

Charged with stowing away on the "President McKinley" from Manila, a young Filipino was found not guilty by Mr. J. R. Wood yesterday morning. As the agents were willing to take him back, His Worship made the necessary order. Defendant's statement was that he was one of many applicants for work on the ship. On being passed by the doctor, he thought that he was accepted and therefore, did not sign on at the office of the Shipping Commissioner. He also claimed that he had been given a "crew's liberty pass," which he had returned to the chief officer. The chief officer admitted that what defendant said was correct, but his action might have been a bluff to stow away. His Worship, however held the view that defendant's story was *bona fide* and asked Acting-Inspector Spear to take temporary charge of him.

FORGED CHEQUES?

ACTION AGAINST BANK.

HANDWRITING EXPERT'S TESTIMONY.

Expert evidence as a recognised authority on handwriting was given by Mr. E. R. Dovey, the Government Analyst, to-day at the Supreme Court in the case in which the Tai Wo Company is suing the Bank of East Asia for $72,665.

The case is being heard before the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees Davies K. C.) and the following special jury:—Messrs. T. E. Pearce (foreman), P. Tester, J. H. Seth, W. Nicholson, H. E. Parkinson, T. Arthur and J. McArthur.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Messrs. Lo and Lo) is appearing for the plaintiffs and the Bank is represented by Mr. Eldon Potter K.C., with Mr. Campbell Prosser (instructed by Messrs. Deacon, Harston and Shenton).

When the hearing was resumed this morning certain question were asked by the jury as to the procedure followed by the Bank in regard to the issue of new cheque books etc. and Mr. Li Tse-fong, the manager of the Bank, was called to give evidence on these points. He said that formerly the Bank's cheque forms were printed in Hongkong but latterly they had been printed at Home, by Messrs Waterlow who used in the process a special kind of ink which evaporated if a forger edeavoured to apply chemicals.

Not Accusing the Bank.

Among other documents produced by Mr. Li Tse-fong was a book in which were recorded the movements of chit coolies. One entry dealt with the time taken by a chit coolie who gave evidence yesterday of having delivered a new cheque book to the Tai Wo firm and to whom Mr. Jenkin put it in cross-examination that he never went there at all.

When the book was produced Mr. Jenkin remarked that he had never suggested that the coolie never left the Bank but only that the cheque book was never delivered to the Tai Wo firm.

Mr. Potter maintained that Mr. Jenkin had made a serious accusation against the Bank but the Chief Justice said that that was hardly putting it fairly. It was quite possible that an employee of the Bank—

Mr. Jenkin: I have never made any accusation against the Bank.

An important issue in the case is as to whether or not two cheques drawn by the plaintiffs in favour of the Yangtse Trading Company for $35,000 and $37,000 respectively were or were not forged. It was on this point that Mr. Dovey was called by the defendants, whose case is being heard first, to give evidence.

Mr. Doveys' Evidence.

Mr. Dovey said he had examined the writings on the genuine and the suspected documents in this case most carefully and in his opinion the signature "Lau Si-yuen" on all of them had been written by the same hand. In his opinion the writing on the body of the cheques with the exception of one or two, was also in the same handwriting as the signature. When he first examined the two suspected cheques he noticed one or two things which at first made him think they were forgeries. In the first place there one or two places where the writing had obviously been "touched up."

"Such a Scrum."

At counsel's request Mr. Dovey showed the jury where these places were. The Chief Justice, and Mr. Potter, magnifying glasses in hand, went over with him to the jury box and looked on at the demonstration.

Noticing that Mr. Jenkin remained in his seat the Chief Justice asked him whether he didn't think he ought to come over too.

Mr. Jenkin replied that he was waiting until afterwards as he wanted to note Mr. Dovey's remarks down. "There's such a scrum there just now," he explained.

Altered Intentionally.

Continuing his evidence, Mr. Dovey said that on second consideration he came to the conclusion in respect of two of the cheques that the alterations, such as they were, had been done intentionally to make the writing appear dissimilar. The were two other points in which the suspected cheques differed from the genuine ones. On one of the suspected cheques the capital "S." was unlinked with the letter following. Also in both the suspected cheques there was a cancellation line following the words. However, in spite of these differences he was satisfied that the writing was the same as the signature of Lau Si-yuen.

Several photographs were handed to the jury and Mr. Dovey was asked by Mr. Potter to explain the reasons which led him to arrive at the conclusion that the writing was the same. One reason was, Mr. Dovey replied, that Lau Si-yuen was accustomed to write his signature in one line without taking pen from paper. That made it more difficult for a forger to copy as once he put pen to paper he was committed to finishing the signature without lifting the pen again. It would be extremely difficult to reproduce certain insignificant characteristics keeping the pen all the time on the paper. The suspected signatures were longer by one millimetre than the genuine ones.

Mr. Dovey went on to point out a number of instances where there was a remarkable resemblance between the genuine and the suspected writing. He said that the suspected signatures were otherwise like genuine signatures than the genuine signatures resembled the specimen signature given to him.

(Proceding).

CORRESPONDENCE.

MONSTER EDUCATION PETITION.

[*To the Editor of the China Mail.*]

Sir,—I have followed the recent discussions regarding the question of the appointment of a new local Director of Education, with not a little interest.

While at Home I was for a time a Manager of a school, and can also claim some experience as a teacher, to say nothing of an experience of the young common to most married men! I have therefore read with more than a passing interest all that, so far, has been written on this particular subject, and desire, with what words I can find, to emphasise the need expressed that it is absolutely essential that a qualified and trained man be appointed to fill the vacant—or about to be vacant post, of Director of Education. I do not know what arguments exist against this procedure being adopted. The only one I can think of is that there is no qualified or trained man to take on such an important position. This of course cannot be true because the Department has in its service men eminently qualified to take over the direction of the Colony's education. The only other argument is that the Cadet system—which appears to be as rigid as a Trades Union Organization, has to be perpetuated—even if it means putting into a position a man who has no claim to being qualified. I am not certain if the present Attorney-General was a Cadet; or the Director of Public Works; or the Harbour Master; or the head of the Observatory. Some of them certainly were not. But the Cadet System has not been applied to these positions and the result is that each is manned or directed by a gentleman who is first and last an expert. I hope there will be no one found to question the fact that Education is an important matter—just as important as the drafting of ordinances; the direction of harbour traffic; and the making of observations regarding our weather, which like the Government, is at times very erratic. If the importance of education is admitted, as it must, then why not the importance of having a trained Director at the head of affairs?

It appears to me that the Government regards silence as golden to the exent that it evidently believes that the discussion on the matter is just one of those things that raise a temporary storm, and then die out. It may be so, but my observation leads me to the fact that at least three of the Hongkong papers which have referred to this matter, have with one accord, voiced a clear and unanimous claim for the appointment of a qualified Director. Not only that. I happen to number a great many of the teachers who serve the Colony so well, among my friends and I know that their feeling is in favour of this appointment. And in addition, there is also the growing number of parents who view with a certain amount of apprehension the way in which things seem to be regarded. The Department has at last opened its eyes to the need of qualified teachers, and as far as it can obtain them, made appointments from Home. And yet the Government does not apply the principle to the Directorship of this growing Department.

This, Sir, may be going over old ground, but it seems necessary to insist, and re-insist on the common facts. The time has probably arrived to cease uttering the obvious and to agree on a united line of action, and I therefore make bold to offer the following suggestion—a suggestion I hope which will be speedily adopted. It is this: Nothing must be left to chance. Our Legislative Councillors have got to make their voices heard. The Hon. Mr. Lang I believe has already made the want known and the incredible official reply is on record. Mr. Lang! please speak again. That is not the whole of my suggestion. What I strongly suggest is that a monster petition be organised voicing the Colony's apprehension and urging the appointment of a technical and qualified man. Let a committee be formed to put this suggestion into operation at the earliest possible moment and to leave no stone unturned to let the Government see that this matter is not one of newspaper policy—that those who have voiced the need have the Colony with them. If this petition is signed as I am sure it will be, the Government cannot possibly treat it with contempt but will give it the attention it will rightly deserve.

Yours, etc.,
SCHOLASTIC.

Hongkong, January 28.

PIRATE ATTACKS.

[*To the Editor of the China Mail.*]

Sir,—In reply to Ex-Army Officer signing himself "Reader" in your correspondence column of the *China Mail*, January 26, I would advise this gentleman that a superficial view of things while travelling as a passenger and listening to an insinuating braggart who would probably be the first one to throw up his hands in an emergency or surprise attack—who also insults not only the officers killed and wounded recently but the Cloth in general, and produces nothing, conveys nothing towards the solving of piracy.

This is a Navy not an Army problem and put in the hands of a capable naval officer with power to act and in collaboration with suitable officers of the Mercantile Marine the Dragon would soon be laid; but alas, Dollars not Prestige are all that count at present, although history and reason prove that the former usually follows the latter.

Reading between the lines I don't think you formed a very high opinion of this chief officer. You state that his language was boastful and unprintable. Quite so! He conforms to a certain type and his vapourings are worthless.

Yours, etc.,
COAST OFFICER.

Hongkong, January 25.

[*To the Editor of the China Mail.*]

Sir,—Since all the piracies occur at night, why not suspend all night traffic till China has a stable government? What say you Mr. Editor?

The police and navy would then be able to grapple the many other problems they have on their hands.

Your columns sometimes tell of a small steamer being fined for carrying passengers without a licence, yet the latest pirated ship took 50 or so in the shape of coal coolies. Then at 6 p.m. before leaving Canton no master of crew and coal coolies and a "look-see" for about 60 more of Sun Yat-sen's soldiers who started to travel down as passengers.

No, let them one and all turn their propellers by day only and separate the human cargo from all other. It would pay and save life too.

Yours, etc.,
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28.—B.S.L. Dochra.

(VIA SUEZ.)
Jan. 30.—G. L. Gothic Prince.
30.—A.O.L. Ellipse.
Feb. 5.—B. F. Hyson.
5.—D. L. Pres. Harrison.
7.—O.S.K. Celebes Maru.
8.—B. B. Isla de Panay.
8.—D. & Co. Wray Castle.
9.—B. F. City of Manila.
18.—B. F. Eurybates.
21.—B. F. Ixion.
23.—D. L. Virginia Dollar.
Mar. 2.—B. F. Kabinga
3.—P. L. Swestern Miller.
4.—D. L. Pres. Hayes.
21.—B. F. Ku Templar.
24.—D. L. Esther Dollar.
30.—B. B. Legazpi.
Apr. 1.—D. L. Pres. Adams.
1.—N. L. Moorish Prince.
15.—D. L. Pres. Garfield.
May 17.—B. B. C. Lopez Y Lopez.

BUENOS AIRES VIA S'PORE, DURBAN & CAPETOWN.

Feb. 8.—R. B. Isla de Panay.
8.—O.S.K. Seattle Maru.
17.—N.Y.K. Kamakura Maru.

BRINDISI VENICE & TRIESTE

Feb. 12.—L. T. Persia.
Mar. 9.—L. T. Rosandra.

BARCELONA & VALENCIA.

Feb. 3.—E. A. Annam.
8.—B. B. Isla de Panay.
8.—O. S. K. Seattle Maru.
11.—H.A.L. Rheinland.
Mar. 6.—E. A. Erlo.
7.—H.A.L. Munsterland.
30.—B. B. Legazpi.
May 17.—B. B. C. Lopez Y. Lopez.

GENOA.

Jan. 31.—N. L. Saarbrucken.
Feb. 5.—D. L. Pres. Harrison.
20.—B. F. Talthybius.
Mar. 1.—G. L. Glenbeg.
4.—D. L. Pres. Hayes.
20.—B. F. Bellerophon.
Apr. 1.—D. L. Pres. Adams.
15.—D. L. Pres. Garfield.

MARSEILLES.

Jan. 30.—E. A. Annam.
30.—N.Y.K. Suwa Maru.
Feb. 5.—M. M. Amboise
5.—D. L. Pres. Harrison.
9.—P. & O. Kashgar.
13.—N.Y.K. Fushimi Maru
18.—M. M. Cordilliere.
21.—E. L. City of C'terbury
23.—P. & O. Morea.
Mar. 3.—M. M. Angers
4.—N.D.L. Pres. Hayes
6.—E. A. Erlo.
8.—P. & O. Karmala.
9.—M. M. Ohili.
21.—P. & O. Naldera.
23.—M. M. Perthew.
30.—E. L. City of York.
Apr. 1.—D. L. Pres Adams.
4.—P. & O. Khyber.
16.—E. A. Chile.
15.—D. L. Pres. Garfield.
16.—E. L. City of Cairo.
18.—P. & O. China.
21.—B. F. Sarpedon.
May 16.—P. & O. Kashmir.
19.—B. F. Patroclus.
24.—P. & O. Khiva.
31.—P. & O. Delta.

LONDON.

(VIA SINGAPORE.)
Jan. 30.—N.Y.K. Suwa Maru.
30.—E. A. Annam.
Feb. 4.—B. F. Mentor.
6.—O.S.K. Celebes Maru.
9.—P. & O. Kashgar.
11.—B. F. Agapenor.
13.—N.Y.K. Fushimi Maru.
13.—P. & O. Soudan.
18.—B. F. Phemius.
21.—E. L. City of Canterbury.
23.—P. & O. Morea.
26.—B. F. Demodocus.
Mar. 1.—G. L. Glenbeg.
6.—E. A. Erlo.
8.—P. & O. Karmala.
10.—B. F. Rhexenor.
17.—B. F. Teiresias.
22.—P. & O. Naldera.
24.—B. F. Elpenor.
28.—P. & O. Sicilia.
30.—E. L. City of York.
31.—B. F. Meriones.
Apr. 5.—P. & O. Khyber.
7.—B. F. Troilus.
16.—E. A. Chile.
18.—E. L. City of Cairo.
19.—P. & O. China.
21.—B. F. Sarpedon.
26.—P. & O. Soudan.
May 3.—P. & O. Kalyan.
17.—P. & O. Plassy.
19.—B. F. Patroclus.
24.—P. & O. Kashmir.
31.—P. & O. Khiva.

HAVRE.

Feb. 3.—B. F. Cyclops.
Mar. 1.—B. F. Antilochus.
Apr. 1.—B. F. Perseus.

DUNKIRK.

Jan. 30.—E. A. Annam.
Mar. 1.—B. F. Antilochus.
6.—E. A. Erlo.
20.—B. F. Bellerophon.

MARSEILLES, LIVERPOOL & GLASGOW.

Feb. 9.—B. F. Cyclops.
20.—B. F. Talthybius.
Mar. 1.—B. F. Antilochus.
20.—B. F. Bellerophon.
Apr. 1.—B. F. Perseus.

AMSTERDAM.

Jan. 30.—E. A. Annam.
Feb. 6.—J.C.J.L. Oldekerk.
11.—B. F. Agapenor.
Mar. 6.—E. A. Erlo.

ROTTERDAM.

Jan. 30.—N.Y.K. Suwa Maru.
30.—E. A. Annam.
Feb. 6.—O.S.K. Celebes Maru.
6.—J.C.J.L. Oldekerk.
11.—B. F. Agapenor.
11.—B. F. Phemius.
22.—B. F. Sarpedon.
25.—B. F. Demodocus.
31.—N. L. Saarbrucken.
Mar. 1.—G. L. Glenbeg.
6.—E. A. Erlo.
10.—B. F. Rhexenor.
17.—B. F. Teiresias.
24.—B. F. Elpenor.
31.—B. F. Meriones.
Apr. 7.—B. F. Troilus.

ANTWERP.

Jan. 30.—N.Y.K. Suwa Maru.
31.—N. L. Saarbrucken.
Feb. 3.—E. A. Annam.
6.—O.S.K. Celebes Maru.
9.—P. & O. Kashgar.
11.—B. F. Agapenor.
13.—N.Y.K. Fushimi Maru.
23.—P. & O. Morea.
Mar. 6.—E. A. Erlo
8.—P. & O. Karmala.
17.—B. F. Teiresias.
21.—B. F. Meriones.
May 24.—P. & O. Khiva.
31.—P. & O. Delta.

HAMBURG.

Jan. 30.—N.Y.K. Suwa Maru.
30.—E. A. Annam.
Feb. 8.—O.S.K. Celebes Maru.
6.—J.C.J.L. Oldekerk.
18.—B. F. Phemius.
31.—N. L. Saarbrucken.
Mar. 1.—G. L. Glenbeg.
6.—E. A. Erlo.
10.—B. F. Rhexenor.
24.—B. F. Elpenor.
Apr. 7.—B. F. Troilus.

NAPLES, GENOA, ROTT'M, HAMBURG VIA MANILA, STRAITS, BELAWAN, COLOMBO.

Feb. 5.—H.S.L. Emil Kirdorf.
9.—N.L. Saarbrucken.
11.—H. A. L. Rheinland.
Mar. 7.—H. A. L. Munsterland.
14.—N. L. Aachen.
14.—H.S.L. Albert Vogler.
30.—N. L. Ludwigshafen.
Apr. 4.—N.L. Derflinger.
14.—H.S.L. Carl Legien.
May 2.—N. L. Coblenz.
June 16.—N. L. Pfalz.
27.—N. L. Trier.

COPENHAGEN.

Jan. 30.—E. A. Annam.
Mar. 6.—E. A. Erlo.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Cargo arrived per s.s. "Bendoran" remaining undelivered after to-day will be subject to rent. Agents.—Gibb, Livingston & Co., Ltd.

Cargo arrived per s.s. "Hannawa" not cleared by Jan. 31, will be subject to rent. Agents.—Arnhold & Co. Ltd.

Cargo arrived per s.s. "City of Glasgow" not cleared by February 1 will be subject to rent. Agents.—The Bank Line Ltd.

Cargo arrived per s.s. "Anna" not cleared by February 3, will be subject to rent. Agents.—Dodwell & Co., Ltd.

A *Reuter* cable from London announces the death of Mr. Dan Irving, M.P., Socialist member for Burnley. Originally he was in the Mercantile Marine, and was Secretary and agent to the Socialist Party for 20 years. He was in his 69th year.

Field-Marshal Viscount Yoshimichi Hasegawa, the senior military member of the Genro and the most famous militarist in Japan, has died, cables *Reuter* from Tokyo, after an illness extending over a fortnight. He was seventy-five years of age.

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"SOUDAN"	6,696	16th Feb.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
"MOREA"	10,911	23rd Feb.	B'bay, M'lles, London & Antwerp
"ALIPORE"	5,273	27th Feb.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"NAGPORE"	5,383	4th Mar.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"PERIM"	7,648	8th Mar.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"KARMALA"	9,098	8th Mar.	MARSEILLES, London & Antwerp
"KIDDERPORE"	5,324	10th Mar.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"NALDERA"	15,498	22nd Mar.	B'bay, M'lles, London & Antwerp
"PADUA"	5,997	23rd Mar.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay
"SICILIA"	6,813	29th Mar.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
"KHYBER"	9,014	5th Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"CHINA"	7,952	19th Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"SOUDAN"	6,696	26th Apr.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
"KALYAN"	9,118	3rd May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"PLASSY"	7,428	17th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	8,563	24th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KHIVA"	9,097	31st May	MARSEILLES, London & Antwerp.
"KASHGAR	8,840	14th June	MARSEILLES, London & Antwerp.
"MOREA"	10,911	28th June	MARSEILLES, London & Antwerp.

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

"JAPAN"	6,052	5th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TALMA"	10,060	7th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TANDA"	6,356	22nd Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TAKADA"	6,949	7th Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

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"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	2nd Feb. at 4 p.m.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
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"TANDA"	6,356	31st Jan. at D'light.	Amoy and Kobe.
"PERIM"	7,648	1st Feb.	Shanghai and Kobe.
"EASTERN"	4,000	2nd Feb.	Moji and Kobe.
"SOUDAN"	6,696	4th Feb.	Shanghai.
"NALDERA"	15,993	9th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TAKADA"	6,949	14th Feb.	Moji and Kobe.
"PADUA"	5,997	21st Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KHYBER"	9,014	23rd Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"NELLORE"	6,853	6th Mar.	Shanghai and Kobe.
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"ARAFURA"	6,000	8th Mar.	Moji and Kobe.
"SICILIA"	6,813	13th Mar.	Shanghai.
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"SOUDAN"	6,696	8th Apr.	Shanghai.
"PLASSY"	7,428	18th Apr.	Shai Moji, & Kobe.
"KHIVA"	9,097	2nd May	Shai, Moji and Kobe.
"EASTERN"	4,000	3rd May	Moji and Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	8,840	16th May	Shai, Moji and Kobe.
"MOREA"	10,911	30th May	Shai, Moji and Kobe.
"KARMALA"	9,098	13th June	Shai, Moji and Kobe.
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" Prime Cut	"	30	24	12
" Corned,—Ham Ngau Yuk	"	36	28	20
" Roast,—Shiu "	"	30	24	22
" Breast,—Ngau Nam "	"	24	20	18
" Soup,—Tong Yuk	"	18	20	15
" Steak,—Ngau Yuk Pa	"	32	24	22
" Steak Sirloin,—Ngau Lan	"	36	30	35
" Sausages.—Ngau Cheung	"	30	26	20
Bullock's Brains,—Ngau No per set		12	10	12
Tongue, fresh,—Ngau Li each		60	50	60
Tongue, corned,—Ham Ngau Li each	cents.	60		
" Head,—Ngau Tau	each	1.00	1.00	1.20
" Heart,—Ngau Sam	lb.	16	12	14
" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin	"	26	20	18
" Feet,—Ngau Keuk	each	12	10	12
" Kidneys,—Ngau Yiu	"	12	10	12
" —Ngau Mai	"	21	20	22
" Liver,—Ngau Kon	lb.	16	12	14
" Tripe (undressed), Ngau To	lb.	8	6	7
Calves' Head and Feet,—Ngau-tsai-tau-keuk	set	$1.20	1.00	1.00
Mutton Chop,—Yeung Pei Kwai	lb.	40	28	25
" Leg,—Yeung Pei	"	40	28	25
" Shoulder,—Yeung Shau	"	37	24	24
" Saddle,—Yeung On Yuk	"	40	16	—
Pig's Chitlings,—Chu Chong	"	35	25	27
" Brains,—Chu No	per set	3	22	12
" Feet,—Chu Keuk	lb.	18	15	—
" Fry,—Chu Chap	"	30	15	18
" Head,—Chu Tau	"	24	20	
" Heart,—Chu Sam	each	15	10	10
" Kidneys,—Chu Yiu	each	12	10	8
" Liver,—Chu Kon	lb.	38	30	24
Pork Chop,—Chu Pai Kwai	"	30	25	23
" Leg,—Chu Pei	"	32	28	27
" Loin,—Chu Hau Tun	"	18		
" Fat or Lard.—Chu Yau	"	22	21	—
Sheep's Head and Feet,—Yeung Tau-Keuk	set	75	60	70
" Heart.—Yeung Sam	each	10	8	7
" Kidneys.—Yeung Yiu	each	15	12	10
" Liver,—Yeung Kon	lb.	40	28	25
Sucking Pigs, to order,—Chu Tsai	"	35	25	22
Suet, Beef,—Shang Ngau Yau	"	30	20	18
" Mutton.—Shang Yeung Yau	"	40	28	24
Veal,—Ngau Tsai Yuk	"	24	20	19
Sausages,—Ngau Tsai Cheung		28	20	20
No. 1	lb.	32	—	—

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Barbel,—Ka Yu	lb.	38	19	24
Bream,—Pin Yu	"	28	20	18
Canton Fresh Water Fish.—Hoi Sin Yu	"	22	18	16
Carp,—Li Yu		30	16	27
Catfish,—Chik Yu		44	12	9
Codfish,—Mun Yu		20	20	25
Crabs,—Hai		46	22	28
Cuttle Fish,—Muk Yu	"	28	18	2
Dab,—Sha Mang Yu	"	55	22	15
Dace,—Wong Mei Lap	"	16	10	9
Dog Fish,—Tik To Sha	"	12	10	8
Eels, Conger,—Hoi Man	"	24	16	
" Fresh water.—Tam Shui Yu	"	30	20	18
" Yellow.—Wong Shu	"	45	28	30
Frogs,—Tin Kai	"	60	32	25
Garoupa,—Shek Pan	"	70	40	30
Gudgeon.—Pak Kap Yu	"	20	18	15
Herrings,—Tso Pak	"	20	22	18
Halibut,—Cheung Kwan Kap	"	22	18	23
Labrus,—Wong Fa Yu	"	30	22	18
Loach,—Wu Yu	"	68	22	24
Lobsters,—Lung Ha	"	50	32	21
Mackerel,—Chi Yu	"	30	20	26
Monk Fish,—Mong Yu	"	40	22	28
Mullet,—Tai Yu	"	34	18	2
Oysters,—Shang Ho	"	38	16	22
Parrot Fish,—Kai Kung Yu	"	32	14	9
Perch,—Tau Lo	"	20	20	15
Pike,—Fa Pau Fong	"	16	16	9
Plaice,—Pan Yu	"	52	26	14
Pomfret, Black,—Hak Chong	"	26	26	29
Pomfret, White, Pak Chong		40	36	30
Prawns,—Ming Ha	"	65	38	45
Ray,—Pai Pa Sha	"	10	10	14
Rock Fish,—Shek Kau Kung	"	22	12	16
Roach,—Chun Yu	"	30	22	16
Salmon,—Ma Yau	"	60	38	30
Shark,—Sha Yu	"	12	8	10
Skate,—Po Yu	"	20	10	10
Shrimps,—Ha	"	56	28	35
Snapper,—Lap Yu	"	42	32	30
Soles,—Tai Sha Yu	"	30	28	28
Tench,—Wan Yu	"	28	22	18
Turbot,—Tso Hau Yu	"	30	18	22
Turtles, small fresh water,—Kuei Yu		1.20	40	...

Poultry.

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Capons, Small,—Sin Kai	"	45	28	20
Capons, Large,—Sin Ka	"	50	28	30
Duck,—Ap	"	35	22	22
Doves,—Pan Kau	Each	"	—	—
Eggs, Hen,—Kai Tan (cooking)	per doz	26	18	—
Eggs, Hen,—Kai Tan (fresh)	per doz.	30	25	20
Fowls, Canton,—Kai	lb.	70	36	24
Fowls, Hainan,—Hoi Nam Kai	"	40	28	—
Geese,—Ngo	"	40	24	24
Pigeons, Canton,—Pak Kap	each	55	30	
" Hoihow,—Hoi Hau Pak Kap	each	28	22	
Turkeys, Cock,—Fo Kai Kung	lb.	60	60	5
Turkeys, Hen,—Fo Kai Na	"	55	54	45
Snipe,—Sha Tsui	each		22	—
Pheasant,—Shan Kai	"	1.75	—	—
Quail,—Om Chun	"	20	—	2
Partridges,—Che Ku	"	20	—	—

Fruits.

Almonds,—Hang Yan	lb.	60	35	
Apples, (California),—Kam Shan Ping Ko	"	24	24	
Bananas, (bride's), Ma-so,—Sam Heung Chiu	"	5	4	
Canambola,—Yeung To	"	"	12	—
Cocoanuts,—Ye Tse	each		11	10	10
Lemons, China,—Ning Mung	lb.	10	7	
Lemons, (America),—Kam Shan Ning Mung	each	8	8	6
Lichees, Dried, (small stone),—Lai Chi Kon	lb.	28	25	3
Oranges, (Canton), Sweet—Shan-sheng Tim Chang	lb.	12	—	10
Oranges, Tim Chang	"	16	—	15
Pears, (Canton), Cooking,—Sha Li	"	12		
Peanuts,—Fa Shang	"	12	10	12
Persimmons, Large,—Hung Tse	"		12	
Plantain,—Tai Chiu	"	5	3	4
Pumelo, Siam,—Tsim Lo Yau	each	12	12	6
Walnuts,—Hop To	lb.	16		16
Grapes,—Po Tai Tse	"	30		

Vegetables, &c.

Artichokes,—Ah Chi Cheuk	each	10	—	6
Beans, Sprout,—Nga Tso	lb.	5		7
" Long,—Tau Kok	"	13	8	—
Beet Root,—Hung Tsoi Tau	each	2	8	6
Bitter Squash,—Fu Kwa	"	10	—	—
Brinjals, Green,—Ching Yun Kwa	"	6	5	8
" Red,—Hung Kee	"	8	5	8
Cabbage Chinese, (common),—Kai Tsoi	"	5	5	12
" (Shanghai)—Ye Tsoi	"	12	12	—
Cane Shoots, bunch,—Kau Shun	"	4	—	8
Cauliflower (Large),—Ye Tsoi Fa	each	16	—	—
(Medium), "	"	13	—	—
(Small), "	"	10	—	
Carrots,—Ham Shun	lb.	6	6	8
Celery Chinese,—Tong Kan Tsoi	"	10	10	8
Chillies, Dried,—Kon Lat Chiu	"	30	25	5
" Red,—Hung Fa Chiu	"	12	10	6
" Green,—Ching Lat Chiu	"	12	8	12
Curry Stuff, English,—Ka Li Chu Liu	lb.	10	10	10
Cucumbers,—Ching Kwa	each	3	2	—
Garlic,—Suin Tau	lb.	8	5	—
Ginger-young,—Sun Tse Keung	"	10	7	—
Ginger, old,—Lo Keung	"	10	10	—
Horseradish, Shanghai,—Lit Kan	"	25	45	—
Indian Corn,—Shuk Mai	each		6	4
Lettuce,—Yeung Shang Tsoi	lb.	6	1	
Water Chestnuts,—Ma Tai Mandarin,—Kwai Lam Ma Tai	lb.	10	6	6
	"	12	10	8
Mushrooms, Fresh,—Shang Tso Ku	lb.		—	3
Okroes	b.	8	1	10
Onions, Bombay,—Yeung Chung Tau	lb.		8	5
Onions, Green,—Shang Chung	lb.	6	4	6
Onions, Shanghai,—Sheung-hoi Chung Tau	"	6	6	—
Parsley,—Kun Tsoi	"	30	60	8
Potato, Sweet,—Fan Shu	"	5	3	—
" Japanese,—Yat Pun Shu Tsai	lb.	5	3	—
" American,—Fa Ki Shu Tsai	lb.	8	8	10
Pumpkin,—Tung Kwa	lb.	5	3	4
Radish,—Hung Lo Pak Tsai	"	5		—
Rhubarb (Fresh),—Tai Wong	"	6	—	40
Shallots,—Kong Chong Tau	"	6	8	8
Spinach,—Yin Tsoi	"	6	4	
Tomatoes,—Fan Ke	"	6	7	7
Taros,—Wu Tau	"	4	6	
Turnips, Punti, (Long),—Lo Pak	"	5	4	
Vegetable Marrow,—Tsit Kwa	"		4	—
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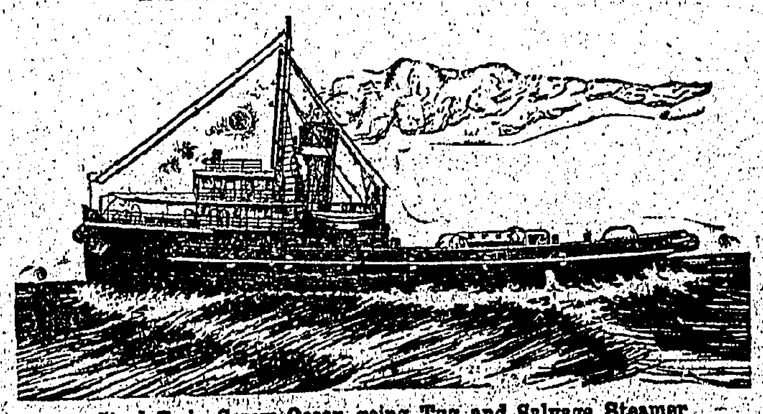

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MY FUTURE.

WHAT NIRVANA, OUR FORTUNE-TELLER TOLD ME.

[BY JOHN SINCLAIR.]

"A Dark Woman—Beware—Big Money Soon, (Happy Man)—An Illness!

Dark Woman! Dark Woman? Big Money? Ah! Mysterious. Strange.—Uncanny. And she never flickered an eyelid, nor even displayed the faintest suspicion of a smile.

The Fortune-Teller has blobbed! She has peered into my horoscope with a withering eye and has divulged my future with as blissful an unconcern as my barber when he blithely skims off the top of that wirt twice a week. Yes, she has let the cat out of the bag with a vengeance and now everybody in the Boarding House from the superstitious Old Lady to her frisky grand-daughter is talking about me. I have taken the centre of the stage and the limelight which is blinding me shows through my fluttering heart like an over-dose of X-ray. The Fortune-Teller indeed, has blobbed!

I have only myself to blame for these lurid revelations. I shouldn't have allowed her to turn over the pages of my future with so ruthless and greasy a hand. She said more, but the rest is for mine own ears. It sufficeth to say that what she did foretell has upset me.

* * *

Nirvana was one of a harmless little party, an after-dinner affair in one of the best rooms (with verandah and hot and cold). When the gramophone needle had worn down to vanishing point and the records were loudly complaining of sore throat, some brave fellow risked offending our host by suggesting another liqueur and cards. Two of us could play pontoons, brag, crib, the good-old-sergeant-major and German whist. Somehow, the others didn't seem so keen on "those vulgar Army games, you know," but we were not so equally enthusiastic about Bridge. So we degenerated into card tricks which were exhausted in five minutes.

Then Nirvana picked up the cards and my fate was sealed.

* * *

I was dragged into the conspiracy by a majority of seven for there were only eight of us. The lady with the bobbed hair cut the cards and had her future life dissected first. It wasn't very pleasing at all. Nirvana did not flatter anybody, but simply explained in broken English that she was going to read the cards. Being a Continental she added a touch of mysticism to the business and what she said they all believed. After the seventh life had been probed—that of a dark-complexioned young man who brayed like an ass when he was told that he would meet a blonde,—they all looked at me.

The Old Lady: "Oh, Mr. Sinclair, do have your fortune told."

Her Grand-Daughter: "I should simply love to hear it."

The Dark-Haired Fellow: "Be a sport, Mr. Sinclair and out."

The Perrenial Typist: "Don't break up the party, Mr. Sinclair."

The Frenchman Next Door: "Ah! please, M'sier. Yes?"

Chorus of Remainder (two clerks) "Go, on, old man and we'll order another."

Mr. Sinclair (under his breath) "Damn"!

Anyhow, I was prevailed upon and Nirvana started the dirty work. I cut. She insisted I should cut with the right hand three times, something like a Ku Klux Klan ceremonial. She juggled with the cards and then laid out my future with as much reverence as an undertaker laying out a corpse. My future was there for all those gaping eyes to stare at. It was monstrous.

First of all, she said everything looked all right; no troubles nor anything to send me into hysterics. Then she shuffled and the crowd held their respective breaths, the only ripple breaking the silence being the Old Lady's asthmatical wheeze.

The Queen of Clubs came up. She was the "dark woman." Ten of Diamonds loomed out prominently. This was "big money." Everybody gasped. Then the illness came out; I think it was the Ace of Spades, which looked more like a coffin than an illness.

Nirvana foretold trouble with the Dark Woman. I was still unshaken but the vulgar crowd registered shocked surprise. The Big Money pleased them all and the fellow with the dark hair ordered champagne on the strength of it.

After three more shufflings during this mysterious rite, Nirvana had eliminated all the cards except three. This was the tense moment in the drama, the moment when the happiness of the heroine depends upon the discovering of the villian behind the curtain. Straining their necks with painful protuberance, the Old Lady sighing frightfully, they all waited as still as death. Nirvana was unmoved. I thought the business had gone too far and protested, but no, Nirvana said "Wait," this is finish."

She turned up the card. There they were. The Dark Woman, Big Money and an Illness, revealed to the world.

We dispersed after that and as I bade "Good Night" I could hear the ladies saying: "Dark Woman, Dark Woman—Mr. Sinclair," and the fellows gurgling "Big Money, Big Money."

In bed I reflected and decided the whole thing was tommy-rot. Nirvana had been deadly serious. She was not a professional clairvoyante but just as ingeniously dragged into it as I was.

* * *

When I woke up this morning, I extended my heartfelt thanks to the gods that Nirvana only told fortunes and did not read pasts. I can face the Dark Woman now, without a shiver.

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EDUCATION BOARD.

"NOT SO LUDICROUS."

MR. MACKINTOSH TAKES UP THE CUDGELS.

Speaking at the Wah Yan English School's prize distribution yesterday afternoon, Mr. N. Teesdale Mackintosh (Registrar at the Hongkong University) took up the cudgels on behalf of the Education Board, of which he is a member, and made a spirited reply to criticisms recently directed against it.

Mr. Mackintosh began his speech by congratulating the Headmaster (Mr. P. Tsui) on the work of the school and after regretfully commenting on the absence and illness of the Right Rev. Bishop Pozzoni, whom he wished a speedy recovery and the absence of the Hon. Mr. E. Irving (Director of Education), also indisposed, he went on to speak about newspapers. He thought all boys should read the newspapers though, "a certain amount of salt should be taken to take the taste away." Newspapers played an extraordinarily useful part in education and he would recommend a very regular course of newspaper reading, both for their Chinese and English studies. If they had been doing that they would notice that some of the newspapers had been protesting against prize-givings: that there were too many of them and that there were so many that the Press could keep away from them. Some of the headmasters had been terrified by this and had abolished prizes and prize-givings. He was glad to see that the Headmaster of the Wah Yan School had been sufficiently old fashioned to carry on with his "birthday party." He only hoped that the children's parents would come to such functions. He believed that this was the great way in which they could get the parents of the boys to take a real live interest in the school. In this way also they could also hope to establish a connection between old and modern China.

Coming to his important point—the criticism of the Board of Education.—Mr. Mackintosh said:—"Now in case you have read the newspapers," "you may have noticed some facts—or alleged facts—about the people to whom your education is entrusted. I want you to have every confidence in your Educational Authorities. You must have confidence in your headmaster because you have proved him. I want you to have confidence in the rest of us. I don't want you to believe—as you have been told to believe—that there are non-experts guiding your education. I do not think they are really quite so ludicrous as some public men would ask you to believe. I have been trying to make up my mind as to what is the real meaning of the words 'Educational Expert,' so this morning I telephoned to the Editor of one of the four leading papers of the Colony. I asked him if he could give me a definition of the words, 'educational expert.' 'Oh yes,' the Editor replied, 'an educational expert is a man greatly experienced in the education of the young.' If that is all you want you can be quite satisfied with your Board of Education. First of all you have got on that Board Dr. Pearce. I am sorry he is not here this afternoon. If there is any one man in this Colony, who can lay claim to being an educational expert, it is Dr. Pearce—(applause)—and so long as he sits on your Board of Education then you are in the hands of an expert and the meetings of that Board are not altogether ludicrous. And then you have Mr. Stewart, who has been a headmaster for many years, and if the definition is in any shape true then he is an expert. You have also Father Valtorta and you used to have Father Maria. Of these I would say neither of them are inexperienced in the matter of education nor are there occasions on which they are likely to be ludicrous.

"So my message for you, and all others in the Colony, is to have confidence in those who are guiding your education and your destiny. I suppose it really comes down to this: What do we mean by education? Education means, I think, something a great deal more than the mere imparting of knowledge. I don't believe that education is an end in itself—although many educational enthusiasts think I ought to believe that, I think it is the means to an end. I believe it is a systematic instruction given to the young in preparation for the work of life and I don't believe education is worth anything at all unless it is given as a preparation for the work of life. And that is what I want to impress upon you students here to-day. Nearly 2,000 years ago the educational expert of the day wrote a letter. In it he said this: 'I am writing to you young men because you are strong,' and I am not at all sure that if St. John had lived in modern times that he would not have given the same sort of message and that he would not have based his belief upon the same sort of argument that he used 2,000 years ago. Just as I venture to appeal to you to use your strength to the better-

WAH YAN SCHOOL.

AN APPEAL FOR SUPPORT.

Reporting on the year's work, Mr. Tsin, Headmaster of the Wah Yan School stated at the annual prize distribution yesterday that the time had now come when without the support of the public, the school would not be able to continue the good work it had so well begun. He appealed to those benevolent gentlemen who were interested in education to give their support and much needed assistance.

Previous to the distribution of prizes by Mr. N. Teesdale MacKintosh, M.A., an entertaining musical programme was given by the students, orchestral numbers being rendered under the able direction of Mr. A. V. Borromeo.

The Headmaster reported that the School completed its fourth year in December, 1923. Since its foundation the work done by the staff and the progress made by the pupils had been very satisfactory. This was shown by the report of the Inspector of English Schools for the year 1923 and the results of the Hongkong University Examinations. The school met 227 times during the year. The average enrolment was 376 and the average attendance was 357.

The class rooms are second to none in the colony, but they are too few. They were badly in need of a laboratory, without which the boys were badly handicapped in the scholarship competitions. Owing to the limited space at their disposal, they had no sitting room, no common room for teacher, no library and no playground. The staff was composed of fifteen teachers.

The University results in Class 1 were very encouraging. Out of eight boys three matriculated, one with Honours and distinctions in English and Mandarin, and three were awarded the Senior certificates, one obtaining distinction in Chinese, the only distinction in that subject obtained in the last examination. The results in Class 2 were slightly below expectation; fourteen failed and thirteen passed, with distinctions in all the important subjects taught in the school; viz., English, Chinese, Arithmetic and Biblical Knowledge. These results showed that it was possible for Chinese boys taught by Chinese teachers to obtain distinction in English, commented Mr. Tsin.

The discipline, equipment, and sanitary arrangements had been greatly improved since the last visit of the Board of Education.

The pronunciation of English words was still very weak. As regards the study of Chinese in the higher classes, Mr. Tsiu thought the books selected were too deep, and he was sure all educated Chinese who had had, or had come into contact with western education would agree that the "Se Shu," the four books of Confucius and Mencius, were not suitable unless they were revised, for boys of a secondary school, though they may be suitable for the students of a university.

Owing to the lack of a playground the physical education has been much neglected.

Among the factors which helped the young school to make such rapid progress, went on the Headmaster, were:—

1. The zeal of its founder and its staff.

2. The kind help given by Messrs B. Tanner, A. Morris, F. Tse Yat, Cheung Chuk-ling and Lau Po in recommending the school to the public at the time of its birth.

3. The kindness of His Lordship, Bishop Pozzoni, in letting this building to the school, and of the Reverend Brother Director of St. Joseph's College in evacuating it at the critical time.

4. The grant given by His Majesty's Government.

5. The sacrifice on the part of Mr. Lim Hoy-lan who gave up a better-paid post and numerous other offers to join the school.

ment of the land in which you live!"

Mr. Mackintosh, continuing his exhortation, advised the students to aim, not so much at making the world safe for democracy but rather to make democracy safe for the world. (Applause.) Their influence with Chinese labourers would be valuable if they responded to the call to work for the betterment of the world. If you do this, they would thank God for the courage of your Headmaster and those like him, who refused to shrink from their task because of the "howling of the wolves." (Laughter). If they gained success and then said: "Make me a crown for my head that men may worship me," or ordered your maidens saying: "Come dance before me that I may be gay," "Then, if that is the case," concluded the speaker, "it were better that the day had not dawned on which you were both of the night had never been on which it was said 'Behold a man child has been conceived.'" (Applause.)

Mr. Mackintosh then drew attention to the prizes.

DRIVEN TO MISCHIEF."

STOLE BECAUSE HE WAS STARVING.

Theft of an overcoat with a key and a pair of gloves in the pockets, from motor-car No. 491, which Mr. D. A. Scott, manager of the Texas Oil Co., left unattended outside the Dragon Co.'s service station at Wong Nei Cheong on Saturday, was the charge preferred against Ahmed Cassum (36) before Mr. J. R. Wood yesterday morning.

According to Divisional Inspector Aris, Mr. Scott was walking round the valley when he met defendant wearing the coat.

Defendant who spoke good English pleaded guilty. He had been in the Colony three years, he said, but had not been able to obtain work. Previously, he was an interpreter at a Penang rubber estate and he had been "driven to mischief as he was starving."

Inspector Aris interposed that defendant had been in the House of Detention, on and off, since his arrival, but had never been convicted.

His Worship put the case back till to-morrow to enable the police to go into defendant's record.

FOOTBALL.

YESTERDAY'S "FRIENDLY" MATCH.

A friendly match between the Communication Branch and the Royal Marines was played on the Navy "B" ground yesterday and resulted in a draw, each side scoring a goal. It was a fast and well fought game and the result fairly indicates the even nature of the play. Dargavel for the telegraphists and Emery for the marines were the scorers.

The teams were:—

Comm'n Branch.—Logan; Matthews, Newman; Pole, Underwood, Vasey; Harper, Dargavel, Roberts, Smith and Dickson.

Royal Marines.—Heathcote; Riddle, Connan; Wigginton, Wigginton, Armstrong; King, Crank, Emery, Thomas and Dean.

ALAS! THEY ARE NO MORE.

Alas! they are no more, those years,
When flushed, full-blooded, innocent,
Beneath the tropic sun I toiled,
A dreamer of dreams.

Under the shadow of a full-grown man,
Uttering some half-mysterious, babbling tongue,
I sat, overawed by his demeanour's majesty;
Puzzled, wondering how some God benign
Would condescend my brains o'erlapping membranes to unfold.

Time, with her ever-outspread wing,
Flew by, closing the portals of her crumbling bodes,
And op'ning those of others, ever changing, ever new;
And with them Life's ennumbered sands ran fast,
Till Time had oped the final portals of Life's joys,
Ushering in the new with worries and with woes,
All hideous and grim, grinning awesome with
Her satyric features and Satanic pose.

In the Light of Life's grim and hard realities
Flit the ghostly shadows of my Childhood's imageries—
Youth's pleasances reduced to barren wilds—
The fattened heifer of my dreams,
Frolicking 'neath the sombre shades of groves,
Rising tall, majestic, 'neath the Sun's enliv'ning rays
That kissed that verdant foliage, is no more.

Instead, a lean and ribald shadow, ghastly and profane,
Dances wild fantastic fantasies,
Sick'ning my heart to death.
Yet I live on, that I
My Destiny fulfil,
Serving to the Childhood of my kin
The same mysterious overawing thing
That was to me,
In Childhood days,
A monster unintelligible,
Babbling some mysterious tongue.

And thus the dreamer of dreams,
Who, in his ignorance, had dreamt,
Himself a Cæsar o'er his fellowmen,
Now stands a servant of his age.

How oft we dream what we would fain possess,
And stern mearring Nature on it frowns,
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GOLF AT FANLING.

LAND PURCHASE TURNED DOWN BY CLUB.

Members of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club voted at an extraordinary general meeting held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., last night for the extension and expansion of the club house at Fanling in preference to the purchase of land for the construction of a new nine-hole course. The meeting was well attended and was presided over by Mr. A. G. Stephen (President), who was supported by Messrs. J. B. Ross (Captain) and A. B. Stewart, L. S. Greenhill, J. W. Franks, C. A. Pfeil, A. K. Henderson, W. E. Roberts, H. U. Ireland and J. D. Kinnaird (Members of the Committee).

Three suggestions were submitted to the meeting. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher proposed that the Committee be directed to proceed with the purchase of the land; Mr. A. B. Stewart moved an amendment to the effect that when funds and circumstances permitted, these should be devoted to the improvement of the Club house; and the Chairman moved a further amendment that the land be acquired for the purpose of enlarging the links, but the development of it not to proceed until funds permitted and at the same time increase the dressing room accommodation by the erection of a temporary building.

CONGESTION AT WEEK-ENDS.

In support of his resolution Mr. Fletcher said the main purpose of a golf club was the playing of golf and everything else must be subsidiary to this essential. There had been various complaints with regard to the overcrowding of the course at Fanling. The scramble and the rush, the difficulty of getting a place at all on the courses, tended, he thought, to make members doubtful as to the expediency of going out at all to Fanling at week-ends. Any reluctance which the members had, was based solely on the crowded state of the courses and not on any shortcomings which might exist in the club house or the service there. The acquisition of this land was of pressing importance because prices were continually rising. A remedy had been suggested, Mr. Fletcher went on to say, by way of restriction of membership but if that were resorted to, it would act very much against the prosperity of the Club.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. V. M. Grayburn.

UNFAVOURABLY IMPRESSED.

Mr. Stewart said he had been over the new land and had been very unfavourably impressed: he could not see how it could be possibly made into a good golf course without the expenditure of a considerable amount of money and time. There had never been any congestion at Fanling except perhaps between the hours of nine and ten in the morning at week-ends. The relief course was now increasing in popularity and a great many more members were playing on it. He maintained that the largest number of players the new nine holes would accommodate was 36, counting four ball matches. The contemplated extension of membership if they had another course would probably amount to 100 or 200, and with the additional nine holes they would be no better off than they were now. He considered the Club-house was one of the chief draw-backs to Fanling. The congestion in the dressing room was simply appalling, and he was strongly of the opinion that they should first make improvements there, rather than go to the expense of constructing a new course, which, he thought, few would use. (Applause).

In seconding the amendment, Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe expressed the opinion that the Club had got quite sufficient ground at Fanling now. The first need of the Club at the present time was a proper Club-house, sufficient for the members who already used the two full-sized courses.

Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz thought the piece of ground could hardly be as unsuitable as Mr. Stewart had suggested. If it were, the Committee, with a full sense of their responsibility, would hardly have brought the proposition forward.

Mr. A. H. Ferguson suggested a middle course. He thought the Club should buy the ground but keep it undeveloped until such time as it was really needed, spending any surplus funds on keeping the two present courses in order and providing for the extension of the Club-house. He was of the opinion it would be a foolish policy to make another nine-holes now.

CHAIRMAN'S SUGGESTION.

The Chairman said he was in favour of the Club acquiring the land, even if they allowed it to remain fallow until they were in a better position financially. With regard to the Club-house, he agreed that at times there was a most uncomfortable congestion there, especially in the dressing room. It had been said that it would take five or six years before they could tackle the question of re-building the Club-house, and he suggested that the congestion might be got over by erecting a temporary building where dressing room accommodation could be provided.

Mr. Stewart urged that the question of the Club-house be tackled comprehensively. It was no use tinkering with it.

The Chairman moved a further amendment to the effect that the Committee be directed to acquire the land for the purpose of enlarging the links, but not to proceed with the development of it until funds permit, and at the same time increase the dressing room accommodation by the erection of a temporary building.

Dr. Harston seconded.

On a show of hands, Mr. Stewart's amendment was carried.

BIGGER ENTRANCE FEE.

A resolution proposed by Mr. J. B. Ross and seconded by Mr. A. B. Stewart, amending the Articles of the Association in regard to entrance fee, which was fixed at $50, instead of $30 as previously was passed unanimously. Mr. Ross mentioned that for the past two years entrance fees had been paid into a separate account, the balance of which, on 30th September last, was credit $11,410. It was intended that the fund be utilised at a future date towards any capital expenditure that might be necessary, such as re-building the Club-house at Fanling. Both in Shanghai and the Straits the entrance fee was $100.

The meeting also passed a resolution giving the Committee power to deal with members who offended against the rules and byelaws of the Club.

Mr. J. B. Ross announced that Lieut.-Col. Matthews had accepted the Secretaryship of the Club and would arrive in Hongkong on the 24th March.

PEW RENTS ABOLISHED.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH DECISION.

From June 30 next, seats will be free at Andrew's Church, Kowloon. A resolution adopted after much discussion at the annual meeting last night found all the members in favour of the abolition of pew rents, except two.

Mr. Toft, who put forward the proposal, said he felt sure that the deficit caused by the abolition of pew rents would be made up from the Church funds.

Mr. Short pointed out that Army and Navy men who could never really become owners, though they were liberal subscribers to the church funds should have free seats.

Mr. Purves proposed that pew rents continue. It was comforting, he said, to feel that a seat was waiting for one. Mr. Morriss seconded.

The Vicar (Rev. G. R. Lindsay) in an inspiring address, said that it was not a question of finance, but principle. He was in favour of all seats being free in order that if any visitors attended they would not be turned away. It should be a free church with a welcome for all (Applause).

The financial statement presented by the Treasurer (Mr. D. A. Purves) showed that over $10,000 went to salaries. Another big item was $2,147 for furnishing the Assistant Clergyman's residence. Passages and freight was a big item, $5,827, but this expense they would not have to bear again for a few years. Offertories for the year totalled over $6,000 and pew rents $408.

Speaking of the financial position the Chairman pointed out that Sir Paul Chater, who had promised to build a house for an Assistant Clergyman, had instead provided and furnished a flat. Salaries was a big item but he would remind them it would be bigger this year.

The Chairman went on to speak gratefully on the services rendered by the Rev. Mr. Bailey to the Church while he, the speaker, was on leave.

Addressing the members of the Church, the Vicar said he saw from the minutes that the previous year he used up all adjectives in connection with the Vestry in the work they had done. He could only underline them. He thanked all workers in the Church of every kind for what they had done.

The Vestry was then elected as follows:—The Rev. G. R. Lindsay the Rev G. A. Arrowsmith, Sir Paul Chater, Mr. R. Packham, Mr. A. E. Farrell, Mr. D. A. Purves, Mr. J. J. Robson, Mr. N. L. Railton and Mr. A. W. Smith.

The following were elected to the Diocesan Conference: Miss Hollis, Miss Ferguson, Mr. A. W. Smith, Mr. O. B. Raven and Mr. R. Packham.

The Vicar elected Mr. J. J. Robson as his Warden and Mr. R. Packham was elected Peoples' Warden.

The vernacular papers state that the river steamers "Charles Hardouin" and "Paul Beau" will be ready to take up the Hongkong—Canton run, a month or so after China New Year. Wharf accommodation has already been arranged for in both ports. It will be recalled that these ships were previously on the run but were sold to the Yangtsze, whence they were repurchased.

TO HELP THE NEEDY.

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY'S ACTIVITIES.

Presiding at the thirty-fourth annual meeting of the Hongkong Benevolent Society held at the City Hall this morning, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, reading the annual report said that since the inception of the Society more than 1658 cases had passed through its hands. During 1923 there were twenty-five new cases not including several cases from the previous year. Amongst the recipients of help were British, Americans, Russians, Malayas, Filipinos, Greeks, a Eurasian woman widow of a German, and an English woman and her children married to a Chinese. Passages had been given, 3 to England, 5 to Singapore, 2 to Shanghai, 1 to Australia. Landing money had also been given.

During the past year the room rented by the Society in Kowloon, where deserving cases could be lodged, had almost continuously been occupied.

It was pleasant to be able as in other years to refer to the almost universal good feeling and gratitude with which the persons assisted the Society helped them in their work, went on Mr. Bernard.

The thanks of the Committee were due to the Colonial Government, not only for their annual grant of $500 but also for the fact that they had materially increased this, and now had guaranteed $1,000 per annum, and also to Lady Stubbs for $771 the balance of the War Charities fund and to Lady Chater for her gift of $500.

The following ladies had served on the Committee during the year: Mrs. Arnott, Mrs. Bernard, Mrs. Cock, Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Carrie, Mrs. Gompertz, Mrs. Parr, Mrs. Lang, Mrs. Holyoak, Mrs. Grayburn, Mrs. Featherstone, Mrs. Hickling, Mrs. Roffey, Mrs. Mackenzie, Mrs. Ferguson, Miss Innes, Mrs. Murray, Mrs. Goldsmith, Mrs. McKenny and to them the Society owed its thanks, said the Chairman.

The Treasurer's report for 1923 presented by Mrs. A. M. Elliott showed a balance at the end of December of $1,008. For the relief of cases $3,323 had been paid out and $2,381 on the education of children. The total assets amounted to $22,446.

The committee elected for 1924 consists of:—President, Mrs. Gompertz; Vice-President, Mrs. Holyoak; Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. Murray; Hon. Secretary, Mrs. McKenny; Assistant Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Goldsmith; Committee, Mrs. Arnott, Mrs. Cavalier, Mrs. Griffin, Mrs. Airey, Mrs. Dunbar, Mrs. Owen Hughes, Mrs. Cock, Mrs. Carrie, Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Lindsay and Mrs. Mackenzie.

AMERICA'S PROSPERITY.

SET BACK DURING DECEMBER.

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According to the Federal Reserve Board's monthly statement, the production of basic commodities declined 4 per cent. in December to the lowest point in the year, reflecting principally reduced consumption in the cotton industry. There were also reductions in the woollen, petroleum and sugar industries. The production of pig iron has increased. The volume of wholesale trade has decreased.

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WHEN "FRIENDS" MEET.

AN UNDESIRABLE ACQUAINTANCE.

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HOCKEY.

The following will represent the Club at the U.S.R.C. to-morrow at 5 p.m. against the Submarine Flotilla:—Messrs. E. W. Hamilton, C. L. R. Becher, G. Murray, E. J. R. Mitchell, A. S. Hett, E. L. Sim, H. Owen Hughes, the Rev. T. B. Powell, W. Woodward, D. H. F. McMaster, B. D. Evans (Capt.)

In the Club Second Team versus H.M.S. "Titania" the following will play for the Club:—Messrs. L. R. Blacking, W. H. Edmonds (Capt.) H. C. Macnamara, A. Bower, T. Rowell, G. H. Piercy, C. R. Baron, F. H. Holdman, H. Meacock, S. H. Garrod, F. Schnepel.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Suwa Maru" (European Passenger Line) left Kobe for Hongkong via Moji and Shanghai on Jan. 20 and is expected here to-day.

The B. F. s.s. "Protesilaus" from Pacific ports left Nagasaki on Jan. 26 for this port and is due here to-morrow daylight.

The P. L. s.s. "Gothic Prince" sailed from Shanghai to-day and is expected to arrive here on Jan. 31.

The E. & A. s.s. "St. Albans" left Moji for this port on Jan. 27 at p.m and is due here on Feb. 1 at about 7 a.m.

The B. L. s.s. "Benrinnes" from Middlesbro', Antwerp and London left Singapore for this port on Jan. 25 and may be expected to arrive here on or about Feb. 2.

The B. F. s.s. "Demodocus" left Liverpool on Dec. 29 for Singapore, Hongkong and Shanghai and is due here on or about Feb. 4.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Hakusan Maru" (European Line) left London for Hongkong via Suez on Dec. 29 and is expected here on Feb. 4.

The D. S. L. s.s. "Pres. Harrison" which is due at Hongkong on Feb. 4 arrived at Kobe on Jan. 25 on schedule. She sails for Marseilles, Boston and New York via Manila, Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez, Port Said, Alexandra, Naples and Genoa on Feb. 5.

The C.P.S. R.M.S., "Empress of Australia" left Vancouver for Hongkong via Japan ports and Shanghai, on Jan. 17 and is due here on Feb. 7.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" Capt. A. J. Hosken, R.N.R., Commander, will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai (Woosung), Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama at noon on Feb. 7.

The B.F. s.s. "Atreus" left Liverpool on Jan. 6 for Hongkong, Shanghai and Japan and is due here on or about Feb. 9.

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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd prox. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

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CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 8th February, 1924, or they will not be recognised.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 7th February, 1924, or they will not be recognised.

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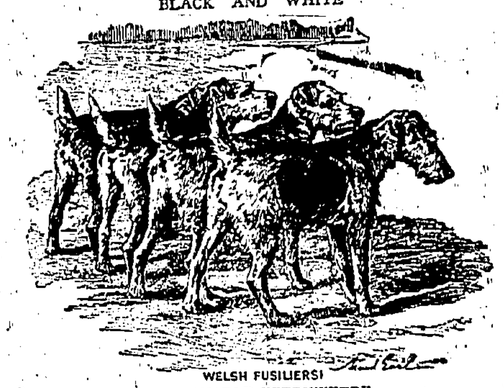

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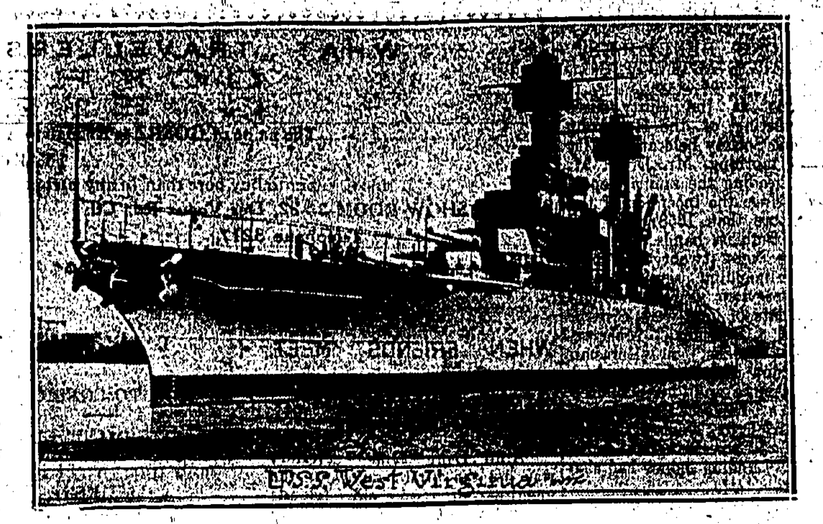

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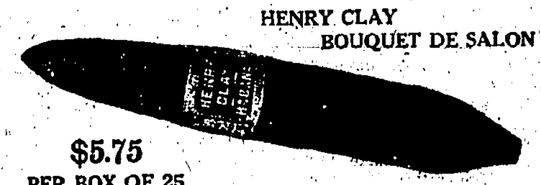

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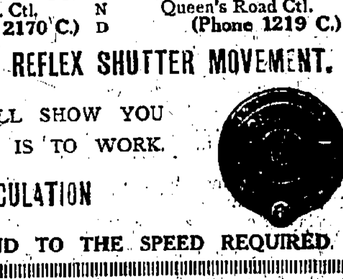

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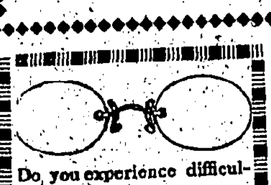

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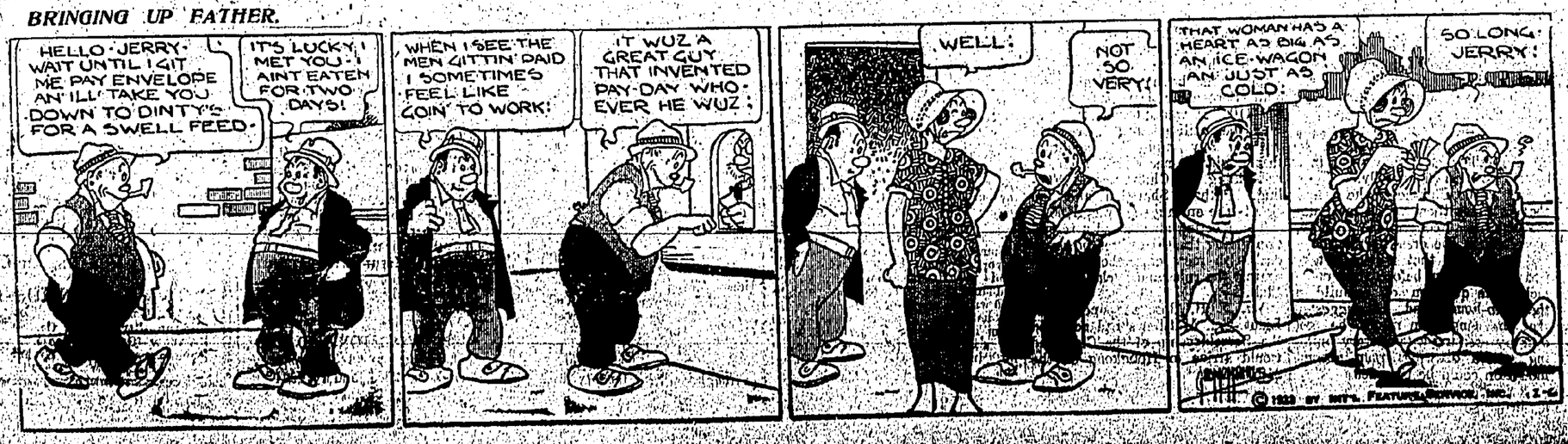

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

HOME STRIKE.

LONDON, January 28.

The prospects of early settlement of the English railway strike are regarded as having brightened considerably as a result of yesterday's peace efforts. After the mediation committee had visited the managers, a joint conference was held at the London Hotel between the mediation committee, the managers, and the executives of the National Union of Railwaymen, the Railway Clerks and Locomotive men, lasting five-and-a-half hours, when an adjournment was made until this morning.

LONDON, January 28.

A new transport crisis is threatened by the dockers who are not disposed to accept the employers' decision cabled on the 16th inst. The Bristol branch has instructed its representatives at a delegates' conference of transport workers to-morrow to urge further negotiation with the employers, and if the latter refuse the request, the union call a national stoppage of work.

GOLF.

LOS ANGELES, January 27.

Sarazen was two up on Havers at the end of the 45th hole. Havers won four of the first nine holes played to-day and Sarazen three, halving two. The putting of both was unsteady.

At the end of the 54th hole, Sarazen was still three up, he and Havers having won five each and halved eight.

LATER.

Sarazen beat Havers five up and four to play.

Havers, throughout the match, which was 72 holes for the unofficial world's championship, showed brilliant approach ability as far as direction was concerned, but in most cases he was short by twenty to thirty feet on his mashie shots of from fifty to one hundred yards.

Sarazen placed the ball on the green better than Havers, and in off lies showed noteworthy ability to recover.

Honours were even in driving.

Sarazen's card for to-day's 32 holes was 129 and Havers' 133.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

LONDON, January 28.

Reviewing the results of Mr. MacDonald's activities at the Foreign Office last week, the *Westminster's* Diplomatic Correspondent says the Prime Minister found the question of the recognition of Russia not quite so simple as it appeared. Moscow, without repudiating financial obligations, argues that it must first be placed in a position of political equality. This probably will be conceded, but the stoppage of anti-British propaganda will certainly be a preliminary condition for recognition.

The Government is likely to put some very plain questions to M. Poincaré arising out of Mr. Clive's report regarding conditions in the Palatinate, which is a scathing indictment of French policy in fomenting the Separatist movement. The Government are prepared to appeal to the International Court for arbitration in accordance with the Versailles Treaty. France will be asked to abandon the blockade policy against the British zone at Cologne.

PARIS, January 27.

Commenting on Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's interview, the *Eclair* says Mr. McDonald asks everything without promising France anything.

The *Echo de Paris*, says Mr. MacDonald is at present most cautious, but he must sooner or later vote in favour of methods for obtaining reparations which are very difficult to reconcile with Franco-Belgian policy. A violent rupture is thus possible.

PARIS, January 28.

Speculation has been evoked by a meeting lasting two hours of M. Poincaré and the Belgian Foreign Minister, M. Jaspar. It is understood that the discussion related to administrative questions in the Ruhr. It is semi-officially stated that a net profit of a milliard francs is to be expected for the year from the Ruhr pledges.

BURIAL OF LENIN.

MOSCOW, January 28.

Lenin has been buried in a vault in Red Square under the shadow of the Kremlin wall. Enormous crowds filed past the catafalque erected in the open air. Sightseers were exposed to the most intense cold, the thermometer registering over thirty degrees below zero. Scores of people were carried away half unconscious with cold to revive at mammoth fires. The only open air music was a funeral march by a Pole named Monushko. It drew tears from the eyes of soldiers which turned to icicles.

The coffin was borne by Soviet leaders and workmen.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's American Service.)

NAVAL OIL LEASES.

WASHINGTON, January 27.

President Coolidge has made a statement that he intends to employ special counsel to prosecute the naval oil leases inquiry in the courts "if there is any guilt it will be punished. If there is any civil liability it will be enforced. If there is any fraud it will be revealed, and if there are any contracts illegal they will be cancelled."

Mr. Coolidge added: "As I understand it men are involved who belong to both political parties, and having been advised by the Department of Justice that it will accord with former precedent, I propose to employ special counsel drawn from both political parties to bring such actions for the enforcement of the law."

This statement followed the publication of a manifesto by Mr. Hull, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, declaring that the Teapot Dome revelations comprised the greatest scandal of this or any other generation and had created a new issue for the presidential Election campaign in November.

Senator Johnson, who is regarded as Mr. Coolidge's chief competitor for republican nomination, declared emphatically that the oil leases ought to be cancelled without delay.

Former Secretary Fall's medical advisers declare that he is ill. His heart is weak. Therefore he is unable to testify before the investigating committee to-morrow.

EGYPT'S PREMIER.

CAIRO, January 27.

Tiaghlul Pasha has accepted the premiership.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

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The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the office of The Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited):—

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Williams Palace Hotel Kowloon, from Hankow.

M. E. F. AIREY,
Superintendent

Hongkong, 10th January, 1924

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Taim Sha Tsui during the years 1908-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet inches below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 8 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet inches to the height given in the table.

January 25 to 31, 1924.

Day of Week	Day of Month	High Water: Standard Time	High Water: Height	Low Water: Hongkong Standard Time	Low Water: Height
		hm	feet	H m	feet
Fri.	25	0 12 a.	4.8	m 5 56	1.0
		11 26 a.	7.3	0 0 p.	2.6
Sat.	26	0 54 a.	4.9	m 6 36 a.	1.3
				1 55 a.	3.0
Sun.	27	m 0 16	6.6	m 7 20	1.7
		1 44 a.	5.0	7 0 a.	2.1
Mon.	28	m 1 20	6.0	m 8 5 a.	1.9
		2 42 a.	5.0	8 20 a.	1.5
Tues.	29	m 2 2 a.	5.3	m 8 54	1.6
				10 8 a.	2.0
Wed.	30	m 3 46 a.	5.6	m 9 44 a.	1.3
		4 38 a.	4.7	11 49 a.	2.0
Thur.	31	m 5 44 a.	4.5	m 10 47 a.	1.1
		5 41 a.	4.3		

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" On demand, ...2/4-1/8
" 30 days' sight... ...
" 4 months' sight ...2/4-1
Credits, 4 months' sight ...2/4-1/8
Documentary 4 months' signt 2/4 1/8
On Paris—
On demand 1080
Credits, 4 months' sight ... 1140
On demand ... ...nom.
On New York—
On demand 50⅛
Credits, 60 days' sight ... 51⅛
On Bombay—
Wire ... ... ——
On demand 163½
On Calcutta—
Wire ... ... ——
On demand 163½
On Singapore—
On demand 99½
On Manila—
On demand 98
On Shanghai—
On demand ... ... nom.
30 days' sight (private paper)
On Yokohama—
On demand 110½
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Silver (per oz.)... ... ...83⅛

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For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—

	Feet
ISLAND.	
Signal Station	1774
Mt Parker	1734
Mountain Lodge	1726
The Eyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1305
Taikoo Sanatorium	1000
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Rd. (filterbeds	593
MAINLAND.	
Taimoshan	3124
Kowloon Peak	1971
Lion Rock	1645
Shatin Pass	1000
Customs Pass	790
Devil's Peak	724

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HONGKONG, JANUARY 29th, 1924.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

11 A.M.

Names.	Stock Exchange.	Sharebrokers' Association.
Banks.		
H.S.B.C. T.T. selling rate on London ...	2/4	2/4
and on Shanghai ...	$ 71	$71
Hongkong Banks	$ 1145 b. 1150 sa.	b. 1150
Chartered Bank	£ 19½ n.	n. £19½
P. & O. Bank	£ 12½ n.	n. £12
East Asia Bank	106½ b.	b. 106½
Mercantile Bank A B	£28 n.	n. "A" £38½
do. C	£12 n.	
Marine Insurances		
Canton Insurance...	715 s.	n. 715
North China Insurance ...	$ 140 b.	n. 140
Union Insurance	$ 235 b. 235/7 sa.	b. 234 s. 236
Insurance Yangtsze	$ 28 ½n.	n. 56½
Far Easterns		b. 145
Fire Insurances		b. 550
China Fire Insurance	$ 140 b.	
Hongkong Fire Insurance...	$ 550 n.	
Shipping		b. 56-1/2
Douglases	$ 57 b.	b. 48
H.K. Steamboats	$ 48 b.	n. 36
Indo-Chinas (Pref.	$ 384 b.	
do. (Def.))	$ 133½ n.	n. 136
do. (H.K. Reg.) ...	133½ n.	s. 86/10
Shell Transports	87/6 b.	b. 54
Star Ferries	$ 63 n.	b. 2.75
Hongkong Tugs and Lighter	$3.55 n.	
Refineries		b. 268
China Sugar	$ 267-1/2 b.	b. 48
Malabon Sugar	$ 53 n.	
Mining		n. 60/-
Kailan Mining Adm.	60/- b.	
Langkats ... ... } Comb.	$93 s.	n. 33½
Shanghai Loans ... }		
Shai Explorations...		b. 5
Raubs	$ 5.10 n	b. 30/-
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Ural Caspian	14/- b.	
Benguet Con	P. 2 b.	
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H. & K. Wharfs	$ 152-1/2 n	b. 151½ sa. 152½/3
H. & W. Dock	$ 155 b. & sa.	b. 153 sa. 154
S'hai Docks	T 94 s.	n. 93½
New Engineerings...	T 7 b.	b. 6
H. K. Engineerings		
Shanghai Hongkews	T $175 b.	
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.		
H. K. & S'hai Hotels	$28-1/2 b. & sa. New	(b. 28½ sa. 28¼ New—
Hongkong Lands	$ 1/6 s. ex div.	sa. 103-1/2x. d.
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Kowloon Lands	$ —	
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Princes Building	$130 b.	n. 150
Cotton Mills.		
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Laou Kung Mows...		s. 4.90
Orientals...	T 5-1/2 s.	n. 61 New n. 42
Shanghai Cotton...	T 67½ s. New $ 34 n.	
Yangtszepoos...		
Miscellaneous.		(b. 36 sa. 36/36
Cements	$ 36 b.	
China-Borneos		n. 16½
China Lights (Old)	$ 17½ b.	b. 26.65 sa. 27
do (New)		b. 26
China Providents...	$ 27 b. & sa.	b. 23½ sa. 33/33-1/3
Dairy Farms...	$ 24½ b.	
H.K. Electrics	$ 32½ b.	
Macao do	$ 38 b.	s. 8-1/8
Hongkong and Canton Ices		b. 65 sa. 66
Hongkong Ropes...	$54 b., 66 sa.	b. 27 sa. 27.10/.20
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Wm. Powells	$ 17½ n.	
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TIME TABLE.

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7.00 a.m.	7.10 a.m.	
7.30 " to	8.00 "	Every 15 Minutes
8.20 " "	8.20 "	" 10 "
		Stopping
	8.30 "	Non Stop
	8.37 "	" Stopping
	8.47 "	" Non Stop
	8.54 "	" Stopping
	9.04 "	" Non Stop
	9.11 "	" Stopping
	2.20 "	" Stopping
2.30 a.m. to	11.00 a.m.	Every 10 Minutes
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	1.15 "	Non Stop
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1.30 p.m. to	4.00 p.m.	Every 10 Minutes
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9.30 " to 11.00 " Every 3 Minutes
11.15 " " 11.45 " " 15 " "
Stopping

SUNDAYS
7.10 a.m.
7.30 " to 9.30 " Every 15 Minutes
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KAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, March 5th 1923.

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Authorised Capital G. 150,000,000 £12,500,000
Paid-Up Capital ...G. 80,000,000 £ 6,666,670
Reserve Fund .....G. 19,769,190 £ 1,647,420
Special Reserves...G. 22,660,000 £ 1,888,330

HEAD OFFICE:—Amsterdam.
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BANKING BUSINESS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

J. J. STAARGAARD,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, January 2, 1924.

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LTD.,
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Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Capital Subscribed ....Yen 60,000,000
Capital (Paid-up) .....Yen 52,500,000
Reserve Fund .....Yen 12,980,000

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Interest allowed on Current Account, and Fixed Deposits at rates which will be quoted on application.

S. KONDOH,
Manager.

HONGKONG BRANCH,
8, Des Voeux Road Central.
Hongkong, September 15, 1923.

THE BANK OF CHINA.

中國銀行

(Specially Authorised by Presidential Mandate of the Republic of China on the 22nd of November, 1917).
Authorised Capital $50,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital $18,278,600.00
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Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits. Terms on application.

Every description of Banking Business transacted.

Loans granted on approved securities.
Special facilities for Home Exchange.

TSUYEE, FEI,
Manager.

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國民商業儲蓄銀行

Authorised Capital $5,000,000.00
Managing Director—T. P. Mo, Esq.
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Sub-Manager—Chan Kee, Esq.

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K. P. MA, Managing Director.

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HEAD OFFICE LONDON.

Paid-up Capital £3,000,000
Reserve Fund £3,800,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors £3,000,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. H. FERGUSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 9, 1923.

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.

HEAD OFFICE:
96, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.

Subscribed Capital .....Frs. 72,000,000.00
Paid Up Capital .....Frs. 68,400,000.00
Reserve Fund .....Frs. 59,067,288.54

BRANCHES:

Bangkok	Hongkong	Saigon
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Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.

Every description of banking and exchange business transacted.

C. E. GOY,
Manager.

Hongkong, October 1, 1923.

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HEAD OFFICE HONGKONG.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking Business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS.
2% per annum on the daily credit balances of over $100.00.

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For 3 Months 3% per annum.
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For 12 Months 5% per annum.
On demand ... 2% per annum.

LOOK POONG SHAN,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 24, 1921.

THE CHINESE MERCHANTS BANK, LTD.

HEAD OFFICE:
Alexandra Buildings, Chater Road.

General Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Loans granted on approved securities.

Current Accounts opened and Fixed Deposits received at rates which may be ascertained on application.

The Bank also conducts a Savings Department.

K. C. LAU,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, August 17, 1920.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LTD.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL (fully paid up) ....Yen 100,000,000
RESERVE FUND ....Yen 73,000,000

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Hankow	Seattle
Harbin	Shanghai
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Kai Yuen	Singapore
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Los Angeles	Tientsin
Lyons	Tokyo
Manila	Tsinanfu
Nagasaki	Tsingtau
Nagoya	Vladivostock

Interest allowed on Current Accounts.

Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

T. NISHIYAMA,
Manager.

Hongkong, September 17, 1923.

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Managing Director—Mr. H. S. Chin.

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Telephone No. 3761.

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No. 80, Queen's Road Central

WINNING $20,000.

UNUSUAL MACAO LOTTERY INCIDENT.

OBLIGING A FRIEND.

Remarkable circumstances are associated with the first prize of $20,000 which was drawn by ticket No. 12,047 in the last Macao lottery. The lucky winner is a Chinese gentleman named Ip Chak-ping who came to Hongkong a few months ago to escape the ravages of war in the East River district during Chan Kwing-ming's last campaign. Mr. Ip is the owner of several firms in Tung Kun and a partner in a Canton native bank.

Although only about thirty years of age, he has had amazing luck where lotteries are concerned. He told a *China Mail* man that this was the first occasion on which he had purchased Macao lottery tickets since they were re-started last summer. As a matter of fact, he bought for $25, a block of five consecutive numbers and admitted that he did so just to oblige a friend, who as a broker, had taken up ten on the strength of "friend pidgin" from somebody else.

Tickets Nos. 12,041 to 12,045 had already been disposed of in a Chinese club and the winning ticket had been "fingered" by several others before Mr. Ip arrived to take up the last five. When the result was first known, Mr. Ip decided to wait for the official list. On Saturday, Mr. Ip said that he would go and draw the money this week as he was now satisfied that he had won. The broker is to get a sum of $1,300 as *cumshaw* for his trouble.

Mr. Ip admitted that he had generally been lucky and had won a sweep in Hongkong without ever attending the races. He was not a plunger, as he never invested more than $500 in a year. His father, he said, had won "several ten thousand" taels in a lottery about twenty years ago, based on the result of the Kwangtung provincial examinations.

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LIVERPOOL SERVICE
(Direct or via Continental Ports)

"CYCLOPS"	9th Feb.	M'lles, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow
"TALTHYBIUS"	20th Feb.	Genoa, M'lles, Liverpool & Glasgow
"ANTILOCHUS"	1st March	M'lles, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow

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(via Kobe and Yokohama)

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"PROTESILAUS"	16th Feb.	Vancouver.

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(via Suez or Panama)

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"TEIRESIAS"	17th Mar.	for Singapore & London
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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Telegraphic Communication with Waglan Lighthouse has been restored.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30.	
U.S.A. Canada, Japan and Shanghai	President Jackson
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1.	
Australia and Manila	Eastern
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2.	
EUROPE via Negapatam Letters only London Jan. 31	Koiandra
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4.	
U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Harrison

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Times
TUESDAY, JANUARY 29.		
Iloilo	Cuprum	5 p.m.
Haiphong	Produce	5 p.m.
Shanghai	Kung Ping	5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30.		
Swatow	Kiangyuan	8.30 a.m.
Japan, Canada, United States, Central and South America, *EUROPE via VICTORIA, B.C.—due Victoria 21st Feb. Parcels Tuesday 29th 5 p.m. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9 a.m.	Tyndareus	
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, E. S. Africa, India, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles 1st Mar. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	Suwa Maru	
Swatow and Bangkok	Kwangchow	10.30 a.m.
Java via Sourabaya	Tjikini	10.30 a.m.
Batavia, Samarang and Soerabaya	Samarang Maru	3.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Soshu Maru	5 p.m.
Bangkok	Yei Maru	5 p.m.
Amoy	Tanda	5 p.m.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 31.		
Shanghai, Japan & *VICTORIA, B.C.—due Victoria B.C. 28th Feb. (Correspondence specially superscribed "via Siberia" only)	Iyo Maru	9.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Hunan	10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	2.30 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Lake Faulk	3.30 p.m.
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1.		
Hoihow and Haiphong	Leesang	8 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada U.S.A. C. and S. America & *EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—due San Francisco 23rd Feb. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration 8 a.m. Letters 8.30 a.m.	President Lincoln	
Manila, *Shanghai, *Japan Honolulu and *San Francisco—due San Francisco 3rd Mar.	Shinyo Maru	10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haihong	Noon.
Manila	Tean	1 p.m.
Saigon and Bangkok	Kishu Maru	2 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Jackson	3.30 p.m.
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2.		
Straits	Van Cloon	9 a.m.
*Manila	Suisang	9.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Chunsang	Noon.
Manila, Sandakan, AUSTRALIA and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 15th Feb. Parcels Noon. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.	St. Albans	
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3.		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Atsukusa Maru	9 a.m.
Japan	Tjiseboet	9 a.m.
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4.		
Manila	Pres. Harrison	3.30 p.m.
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7.		
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America & EUROPE via Vancouver B.C.—due Vancouver B.C. 25th Feb. Parcels 6th Wednesday, 5 p.m. Registration 9.15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.	Empress of Russia	
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haifoong	Noon.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, E. S. Africa, India, Bombay, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via MARSEILLES—due Marseilles 8th Mar. Parcels 5 p.m. Saturday 9th. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Kashgar	

Correspondence bearing vessels names only.

WEATHER REPORT.

January 29d 11h 15m.—Pressure has decreased moderately at Shanghai and from Hongkong to Haiphong. It has decrased slightly over Formosa and is nearly stationary at other reporting stations.

The northern portion of the anticyclone has moved eastward; leaving a weakened anticyclone over China.

Fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0·00 incs. Total since January 1st, 1.03 inches, against an average of 1.28 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on January 30, 1924.

1.—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, fresh; overcast, some drizzle or mist.

2.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks, N.E. winds, fresh; overcast, some drizzle or mist.

3.—Hongkong to Gap Rock, N.E. winds, fresh; overcast, some drizzle or mist.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, N.E. winds, fresh; overcast, some drizzle or mist.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY, HONGKONG.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

JANUARY 29, 1924.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer reduced to Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Rain.
Vladivostock	8 a.	30.40	0	—	N	4	b
Semuro	5 a.	—	0	—	—	—	—
Hakodate	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tokio	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kobi	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kagoshima	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ishime	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Naha	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ishijima	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
South Talaut	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chefoo	6 a.	30.44	24	77	—	0	b
Hankow	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ichang	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Changsha	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai	"	30.40	25	—	NNW	1	b
Lutzlaff	"	30.39	32	62	NE	2	b
Sharp Pk.	7 a.	30.37	44	84	N	2	o
Amoy	9 a.	30.23	52	73	NE	2	b
Swatow	8	—	—	—	E	2	r
Taihoku	5	30.25	54	95	E	2	r
Taichu	"	30.18	54	—	NNE	2	o
Tainan	"	30.14	54	—	NNE	4	o
Koshun	"	30.10	64	—	NE	4	o b
Pescadores	"	30.19	59	—	NNE	6	o
Canton	6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hongkong	"	30.12	57	81	E	4	o
Gap Rock	"	30.10	—	—	E	5	o
Macao	"	30.10	52	87	N	4	o!
Wuchow	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Toihow	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pitullen	7 a.	30.08	53	98	ENE	4	of
Tourane	"	30.02	66	—	NW	2	rf
C. St. James	"	29.91	75	—	ENE	7	b
Aparri	6 a.	30.07	63	—	N	2	r
Dagupan	"	30.04	70	92	—	0	o
Manila	"	29.98	73	91	E	1	o
Legaspi	"	29.98	77	84	NNE	4	o
Tacloban	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Iloilo	"	29.93	75	89	N	4	o
Surigao	"	29.92	77	85	ENE	4	o
Guam	4.20	29.92	—	—	NE	4	o
Yap	4.47	29.92	—	—	NE	4	o
Labuan	6 a.	29.86	77	98	S	2	b

Hongkong Observatory, Jan. 29, 1924.

1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.
2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade in degrees Fahrenheit.
3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation the humidity of air saturated its moisture being 100.
4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.
5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beadford Scale.
6. STATE OF WEATHER, b blue sky, detached cloud, d drizzling rain, fog gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast passing showers, q squall, r rain, s snow thunder visibility of view, veh.
7. RAIN in inches tenths and hundredths.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day at 7 p.m.	On date at 8 a.m.	On date at 7 p.m.
Barometer	30.18	30.12	30.10
Temperature	56	57	57
Humidity	72	81	86
Direction of Wind	NNE	E	ENE
Force	2	4	3
Weather	od	o	o
Rain	0.41	0.00	0.01

Highest open air Temperature on the 28th—67
Lowest open air Temperature on the 29th—56

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

Hongkong, Observatory, Jan. 29, 1924.

HONGKONG TIME SIGNALS.

The Time Ball on Kowloon Signal Hill is dropped daily at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., except on Saturdays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., and on Sundays and Holidays when it is dropped at a.m.

The Ball is hoisted half mast at 55th minute and full mast at the 57½ minute. Should the ball fail to drop at the correct time it will be lowered at minutes past the hour and the ordinary routine repeated at the following hour if possible.

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Remarkable circumstances are associated with the first prize of $20,000 which was drawn by ticket No. 12,047 in the last Macao lottery. The lucky winner is a Chinese gentleman named Ip Chak-ping who came to Hongkong a few months ago to escape the ravages of war in the East River district during Chan Kwing-ming's last campaign. Mr. Ip is the owner of several firms in Tung Kun and a partner in a Canton native bank.

Although only about thirty years of age, he has had amazing luck where lotteries are concerned. He told a *China Mail* man that this was the first occasion on which he had purchased Macao lottery tickets since they were re-started last summer. As a matter of fact, he bought for $25, a block of five consecutive numbers and admitted that he did so just to oblige a friend, who as a broker, had taken up ten on the strength of "friend pidgin" from somebody else.

Tickets Nos. 12,041 to 12,045 had already been disposed of in a Chinese club and the winning ticket had been "fingered" by several others before Mr. Ip arrived to take up the last five. When the result was first known, Mr. Ip decided to wait for the official list. On Saturday, Mr. Ip said that he would go and draw the money this week as he was now satisfied that he had won. The broker is to get a sum of $1,800 as *cumshaw* for his trouble.

Mr. Ip admitted that he had generally been lucky and had won a sweep in Hongkong without ever attending the races. He was not a plunger, as he never invested more than $500 in a year. His father, he said, had won "several ten thousand" taels in a lottery about twenty years ago, based on the result of the Kwangtung provincial examinations.

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FOR	PER	TIMES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 29.		
Iloilo	Cuprum	5 p.m.
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Shanghai	Kung Ping	5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30.		
Swatow	Kiangyuan	8.30 a.m.
Japan, Canada, United States, Central and South America, *EUROPE via VICTORIA, B.C.—due Victoria 21st Feb. Parcels Tuesday 29th 5 p.m. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9 a.m.	Tyndareus	
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Batavia, Samarang and Soerabaya	Samarang Maru	3.30 p.m.
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Bangkok	Yei Maru	5 p.m.
Amoy	Tanda	5 p.m.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 31.		
Shanghai, Japan & *VICTORIA, B.C.—due Victoria B.C. 28th Feb. (Correspondence specially superscribed "via Siberia only)	Iyo Maru	9.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Hunan	10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	2.30 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Lake Faulk	3.30 p.m.
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1.		
Hoihow and Haiphong	Lgesang	8 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada U.S.A. C. and S. America & *EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—due San Francisco 23rd Feb. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration 8 a.m. Letters 8.30 a.m.	President Lincoln	
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Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haihong	Noon.
Manila	Tean	1 p.m.
Saigon and Bangkok	Kishu Maru	2 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Jackson	3.30 p.m.
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2.		
Straits	Van Cloon	9 a.m.
*Manila	Suisang	2.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Chunsang	Noon.
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3.		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Amakusa Maru	9 a.m.
Japan	Tjilebet	9 a.m.
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4.		
Manila	Pres. Harrison	3.30 p.m.
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7.		
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WEATHER REPORT.

January 20d 11h 15m.—Pressure has decreased moderately at Shanghai and from Hongkong to Haiphong. It has decrased slightly over Formosa and is nearly stationary at other reporting stations.

The northern portion of the anticyclone has moved eastward, leaving a weakened anticyclone over China.

Fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0·00 inch. Total since January 1st, 1.03 inches, against an average of 1.28 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on January 30, 1924.

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DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

JANUARY 29, 1924.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer reduced to Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.
Vladivostock	8 a.	30.40	0	—	N	4	b
Yemuro	8 a.	—	—	—	...	...	—
Hakodate	"	...	—	—	...	...	—
Tokio	"	...	—	—	...	...	—
Kochi	"	...	—	—	...	...	—
Nagasaki	"	...	—	—	...	...	—
Kagoshima	"	...	—	—	...	...	—
Ishima	"	...	—	—	...	...	—
Naha	"	...	—	—	...	...	—
Shiijima	"	...	—	—	...	...	—
Sasito Island	"	...	—	—	...	...	—
Chefoo	8 a.	30.44	24	77	...	0	b
Hankow	"	...	—	—	...	...	...
Ichang	"	...	—	—	...	...	...
Changsha	"	30.40	25	—	NNW	1	b
Shanghai	"	30.39	32	63	NE	2	b
Tatsfaff	"	30.27	44	84	N	2	o
Sharp Pk	7 a.	30.23	52	75	NE	2	b
Amoy	9 a.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Swatow	8	30.25	54	95	E	2	r
Taihoku	5	30.18	54	—	NNE	2	o
Taichu	"	30.14	54	—	NNE	4	o
Tainan	"	30.10	64	—	NE	4	b
Koshun	"	30.19	59	—	NNE	6	o
Pescadores	"	...	...	...	...	...	...
Canton	6	30.12	57	81	E	4	o
Hongkong	"	30.10	—	—	E	5	o
Gap Rock	"	30.10	52	87	N	4	of
Macao	"	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wuchow	9 a.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pakhoi	"	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hoihow	"	30.08	55	98	ENE	4	of
Phuliun	7 a.	30.02	66	—	NW	2	rf
Tourane	"	29.91	75	—	ENE	7	b
C. St. James	"	30.07	63	...	N	2	r
Aparri	8 a.	30.04	70	92	—	0	o
Dagupan	"	29.93	73	91	E	1	o
Manila	"	29.93	77	84	NNE	4	o
Legaspi	"	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tacloban	"	29.93	75	89	N	4	o
Iloilo	"	29.92	77	85	ENE	4	o
Surigao	4.20	29.82	...	...	NE	4	o
Guam	4.47	29.92	—	—	NE	4	o
Yap	6 a.	29.88	77	98	S	2	b
Labuan							

Hongkong Observatory, Jan. 29, 1924.

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7. RAIN in inches tenths and hundredths.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day at 8 p.m.	On date at 8 a.m.	On date at 8 p.m.
Barometer	30.18	30.12	30.10
Temperature	66	67	67
Humidity	73	81	86
Direction of Wind	NNE	E	ENE
Force	2	4	3
Weather	cd	o	o
Rain	0.41	0.00	0.01

Highest open air Temperature on the 28th—67
Lowest open air Temperature on the 29th—56

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